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Mother's anger at uniform changes

PARENTS have set up a pe-tition against plans for uniform changes at an Oswestry school, saying they are having to shell out too much

money.

They say plans by the Marches School to bring in regulation school trousers or skirts as well as a school sweatshirt is going to hit them in their pockets, and that a forum held at the Morda Road school on Monday, turned into a selling day. day turned into a selling

shop for the new clothes.

The Marches wants all pupils to wear trousers with a school logo on the side

a school logo of the side from September.

Deputy head, Clare
Buckle, said that the school
was negotiating with suppliers to get the best deals.

But Diana Cameron, who

has two daughters at the Marches and another due to start in September 2015, said that when all three were at school the trousers alone would cost her £90.

alone would cost her £90.
"The trousers are £15
each and they will all need
two pairs," she said. "We already buy the sweatshirts."
"This will be the third
school uniform change that
my eldest will have had at
The Marches so we can't
even hand down the uniform.

form.
The petition can be found at: The Gates, Church Street; Schlurp, Church Street and The Herbarium, Albion Hill.

Green light given for substation

A PROPOSED new electricity substation which will be built as part of a £14 million modernisation programme has been given the go-ahead.

development, The which will see the demo-lition of an historic building in Oswestry town centre conservation area, was approved by Shropshire Council planners under delegated powers.

Planners say the loss of a 19th century building at the substation base at Coney Green in Oswestry will be outweighed by the improvements being made to the town's electrical system by applicants Scottish Power.

Farmer's wife named as new A FARMER'S wife who has won Llanfyllin Show over the past 50



Pam Morris, new show president

more than 40 cups for cookery, floral art and horticulture at Llan-fyllin Show over the past 50 years will be taking on presidential du-ties at this year's event. Pam Morris, of Glanllyn, Llan-

fyllin, says it's a great honour and she's thrilled and looking forward to being president of the 145th show on August 9.

years," said Pam, a stalwart of the floral art section, of which she has been secretary for many years."

Pam, who has three sons and two granddaughters, helps her husband, Eric, and son, Wynne, to run the 150-acre sheep and beef farm. A native of Llanyblodwel, she moved to Llanfyllin 54 years and the statement of Butchty and She's a member of Butchty ago. She's a member of Bwlchvsnow on August 9.

"I get a real buzz from competing but being president is the highlight of my involvement with Church for 20 years.

She is also an active fundraiser She is also an active fundraiser for the NSPCC, having helped to raise thousands of pounds to support children in Powys and the Welsh borders district who need counselling and support after the property of being victims of abuse, neglect or

being victims of abuse, neglect or bullying.

The Morris family is planning to take a vintage Fordson Dexter tractor to the show this year fol-lowing the completion of restora-tion work by Pam's nephew, Alun Gwalchmai.

To support the show, she has organised a President's Lunch or Sunday, July 27 in a marquee at Bodfach Park. Tickets at £18 each are available from secretary Jill Hollinshead on 01691 828628

Star attractions at this year's action-packed show are the spec tacular freestyle motocross stunt display team, Broke FMX and the 2014 All Wales Circuit Shearing Final. A jazz band will provide music in the Village Green.

Full steam ahead for themed

FINAL preparations are taking place for an American-themed carnival at Llanfair Caereinion on Saturdav.

urday.

The carnival will see floats taking part in a parade before fun and games start on the showground.

The day starts with the Carnival Queen Amy Evans and her attendants arriving in turn of the carnival graces.

in town at noon in a special carriage on the Llanfair to Welshpool Light Railway – a carnival tradition which ex-

she will then be joined by Elvis and his American friends Minnie and Mickey Mouse to lead the parade which will leave the station at 12.30pm.

at 12.30pm.
Porthywaen Silver band
and the Llanidloes Dragonette dancers will entertain
the crowds as they walk through the streets along with the floats and walking fancy dress groups. Miss Evans will then offi-

Miss Evans will then offi-cially open this year's event at Mount Field at 1.30pm. It will feature Llanfair Caer-einion YFC, Powys Dance; Llanfair Caereinion Primary School; Llanfair Gymnastics Club and Elvis impersona-tor Karl Memphis.

There will also be a fun-

fair, a number of craft stalls and a brand new American themed kids activity area which will include Rodeo rides, a bouncy castle, a hay-stack search, cactus lassoing and feeding Dumbo.

N COUNT

THE number of young drivers killed on the roads of Mid Wales has doubled in the last 12 months, new figures have revealed.

Four motorists aged between 17 and 25 were killed in Powys in 2013, while 13 more suffered serious injuries, leading to a councillor branding the figures "unacceptable."

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were seriously injured. Four young drivers lost their lives last year and 13 had serious injuries."

Councillor Powell said the

Councillor Powell said the council's roads safety unit is now dedicated to helping young motorists avoid such collisions.

He added: "Through our road safety unit, we are dedicated to reducing the number of collisions and casualties on our roads through numerous initiatives, including this Pass Plus Cymru scheme.

through numerous initiatives, including this Pass Plus Cymru scheme. "I would urge any young driver living in Powys to sign up to this vital course. "The course is aimed at 17 to 25 year olds who hold a full driving licence. Participants will take part in a two-and-a-half hour theory session conducted by a road

two-and-a-half hour theory session conducted by a road safety officer, followed by a nine hour paired practical session with an approved driving instructor. "As well as reducing road risk and help gain valuable experience and skills, young drivers may also be entitled to reduced insurance costs."

The figures rose from two fatalities and 11 serious injuries in 2012, while only one person was killed in 2011 and none in 2010.

Councillor John Powell, Powys County Council member for road sefety said her

ber for road safety, said he was determined to drive the number of serious crashes down and said the current

trend can't continue. He said: "The number of young drivers involved in fatal and serious collisions has increased. "Young drivers have al-

ways been one of the county's most vulnerable road users but unfortunately the number of those killed and seriously injured has increased to unacceptable

Councillor Powell said in 2009 there were no fatalities in 2009 and only five seriously injured in the age group. He added: "There were

He added: "There were also no fatalities in 2010 but the number of serious in-juries increased to 14. One young driver lost their life in 2011 and 12 received serious

injuries. "Two young people lost

Diana award for top harpist Ellie



Fourteen year old harpist Ellie Jones from Leighton near Welshpool

TALENTED harpist Ellie Jones has been giving charity concerts since she was just eight years old.

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Now the 14 year old has been recognised with a prestigious, Diana award, for young people who are an inspiration to others.

The teenager has been invited to London next month to receive her award after being nominated by not one but three people. They include Mr Colin Jenkins, head of Buttington-Trewern School, where Ellie took part in a harp work shop at the age of seven which set her on the road to becoming a harpist.

He said: "Her face lit up when she started the harp workshop. Within minutes she was taken in by the instrument and the teacher very quickly realised that something special was unfolding in front of our eyes." our eyes."
"She brightens the lives of people of ages

"She brightens the lives of people of ages with her beautiful harp playing, her infectious smile and her bubbly character."

Powys County Councillor Francesca Jump and entertainment organiser Alan Crowe also nominated Ellie for a Diana She said she was honoured to be given

the award.

Over the past six years Ellie has played her harp at charity events, concerts, weddings and residential homes for the elderly. At the age of 10 she was invited by the Lord Lieutenant of Powys to play for the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh when they visited in Welshpool in 2010.

Then at 12 she was the youngest person to receive the Welshpool Town Council community award for playing at more than 70 charity events.

She was the face of Welshpool for the council's 2012 calendar when she was fea-

council's 2012 calendar when she was fea-tured playing her harp in the grounds of Powis Castle.

Firefighters plan visits to schools

FIREFIGHTERS Oswestry are urging the public to be aware of the risks of accidents involving children.

children.
The firefighters say some incidents involve children and have given their backing to Child Safety Week which runs from June 23-29.
The crew will be visiting various schools in the area

are crew will be visiting various schools in the area as well as holding street displays to get the message across about the everyday risks to children.

Tim Davidson from Oswestry Fire Station said:
"It is important to get the

"It is important to get the message across about the risks to children."

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Carer stole from step father to fund his drinking habit

A CARER who stole money from his step-father to fund his drinking habit has been

warned he faces jail.

Darren Jethro Basford, 40, had been trusted to use his step-father William Henry Wilkinson's bank cards to withdraw money and pay for shopping.

But alcoholic Basford made a series of withdrawals to buy alcohol and began hiding Mr Wilkinson's bank statements so he would not find

Exhibition of photos has opened at museum

A PHOTOGRAPHIC exhibition showing Montgomeryshire through a lens has opened in Mid Wales.

Powysland Museum in Welshpool, Newtown's Textile Museum, Llanidloes Museum and The Old Market Hall in Llanidloes will all show off work by John Davies Knatchbull Lloyd

Mr Lloyd, who was born in 1900 in Montgomery, took hundreds of photo-graphs of the old county of Montgomeryshire and they are now on display at the museum's until August 17.

The photographs on display were taken by JDK Lloyd in the late 1940s and show a large number of buildings in Montgomery-shire, some of which have since been demolished.

The photos are organised into boroughs as well as rural and urban districts.

out.
Basford, originally from
Welshpool but now living at Welshpool but now living at Lant Avenue, Llandrindod Wells, had been carring for Mr Wilkinson in Welshpool for a number of years and managed to hide his alcoholism for almost a decade.

But while Basford was en-joying a weekend of drink-ing in Crewe, Mr Wilkinson realised his bank card had been stolen and used by his

Basford admitted a charge of theft in that he stole an unknown amount of cash from Mr Wilkinson in Welshpool between November 4, 2013 and April 4, 2014 at Welshpool Magistrates Court on Tuesday.

He also admitted a charge of stealing bank statements belonging to Mr Wilkinson ibetween January 2 and April 21, 2014.

He admitted a further seven charges of theft in that he stole sums adding up to £650 from Mr Wilkinson while he was away in Crewe Basford admitted a charge

to £650 from Mr Wilkinson while he was away in Crewe between April 12 and 15. Miss Ceri Edwards, for Basford, said her client and given comprehensive confessions to the police and said he is "disgusted" with himself.

said he is disgusted with himself.

The Magistrates declined jurisdiction saying the in-cident was too serious for their sentencing powers. He will now appear at Mold Crown Court for sentence on July 4.

BEAUTIFUL STOVES

Show raises cash for hospice



Moinca Mosley, Alison Burn, Jeni Pearce, Lynsey Kilvert, Hope House Fundraiser and Julia Turner

FASHION, food and fabulous sunshine FASHION, food and fabulous sunshine were the themes of the day when Out of Town and Fab Feet of Oswestry held a Ladies Lunch and Fashion Show in aid of Hope House.

And as a result the organisers have been able to hand over £1,800 to the Morda based hospice.

The event was held at the Wynnstay Hotel in Oswestry and was thoroughly enjoyed by over 100 ladies who attended.

Fashion and shees were on show and

Fashion and shoes were on show and ladies were given discount vouchers to use in the stores after the event. The Wynnstay provided a two-course meal and served arrival drinks outside in the sunshine.

"We would like to thank Jeni Pearce and her team for hosting such a fantas-tic event and for raising the amazing sum of £1,800," said Lynsey Kilvert, Hone House Fundwiser. Hope House Fundraiser.

All monies raised will go towards the vital services provided by Hope House to children, young adults and their families in our local area.

Hope House provides specialist nursing care and support to life-lim-ited children, young people and young

adults from Shropshire, Cheshire, North and Mid Wales.

The hospice support extends to the whole family – from diagnosis, throughout the lifetime of the child and beyond.

Hope House offers a range of services including respite and end-of-life care at the hospice or within the family home, and support such as counselling and advocacy

Bereavement support is offered to all children, young people and family members for as long as is needed.



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A MEETING which is set to scrutinise a number of a cash-strapped council's recent actions and policies will be shown live on the

Powys County Council's People Scrutiny Committee will meet today (Thursday) and will be receiving reports from senior officers about from senior officers about the recently implemented changes in customer ser-vices and trading standards, amongst other items. The council is currently battling to save £20 million over the next, three ways, due to next three years, due to budget constraints, and a reduction in funding from the Welsh Assembly.

Councillor Wynne Jones, chairman of the People Scrutiny Committee, said: "Scrutiny is a hugely important role undertaken by the council. It ensures that we continue to rigorously ask ourselves whether we have made decisions in the proper way and in line with our own policies, and whether we could have done things we could have done things

The webcast is part of a pilot project being run by the council to test the pub-lic's appetite to view its meetings.

The webcast can be viewed from 10.30am by going to the council's webcast portal at www.powys. public-i.tv.

Talk centres on war hero

AN illustrated talk on Welshpool's First World War Victoria Cross recipient Sgt William waring will be held next month.

The talk, given by military author Alister Williams, will be in the Corn Exchange of Welshpool Town Hall, Broad Street, on July 1 at 7.30pm.

Council's Council seeking partners o run leisure services

by Karen Evans

LEISURE services in Powys could be managed in partnership with a not-for-profit company from April next year, the county council's cabinet has agreed.

The cabinet will have to take any decisions on closing leisure facilities before the handover of management to the new partnership.

The council has been in-

restigating different management options for the county's sports and leisure centres to help meet the challenges of the current

difficult economic climate.

ator or partner to manage and deliver leisure services

in Powys from April 1, 2015.

Options

Councillor Tony Thomas asked if a new partnership was formed with a company, who would decide if any lei-

who would decide if any lei-sure centres or swimming pool would close, how many and where – the council or the new partner. Cabinet Member for Lei-

sure, Councillor Graham Brown said; "Work on the future of leisure facilities is

on-going with officers at the

moment and consultations will take place with local communities looking at the

options because we have different types of leisure centres and different types of facilities. "This will be considered

with the new partner but the cabinet will have to de-cide what it will be handing

over to the trust in the fu

ture. The ultimate aim will

Chance to look at At a cabinet meeting on Tuesday, members decided to pause a current project which was looking at setting up a Powys-based trust and to agree to the procurement of a suitable leisure operator or partner to manage raresnaps

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helping to keep town alive



Tim Davidson and Bradley Coombs erect the defibrillator in Salop Road

Tim Davidson and AN Oswestry electrician and firefighter has helped install the town's network of defibrillators following the appeal by the Oswestry Chronicle Tim Davidson who runs his own company, 4 Life Solutions and his apprentice, Bradley Coombs fitted the final box at the Chronicle office in Salop Road on Monday.

As a retained firefighter, Tim says he has seen at first hand that defibrillators save lives. "We have two at the fire station in Oswestry and carry

the fire station in Oswestry and carry them on our appliances. And of course one saved the life of our own fire-

fighter, Mike Maundsey."

Mr Maundsey was attending an incident as a firefighter in Eastern Oswestry when he realised he was having a heart attack. He got back to

the fire station as quickly as he could knowing there would be a defibrillator and colleagues at the station.

"It's been great to be able to support the Chronicle's campaign, said Mr Davidson. "As soon as it was launched I realised how important it was for Oswestry."

was for Oswestry."
Chronicle associate editor Graham
Breeze said: "Without Tim's help we

would have struggled to get the boxes fitted. He has played a major role in helping us complete the campaign." The newspaper's 10 month campaign has seen five defibrillators located around the town.
Units can now be found in Salop Road, Powis Market Hall, The Wynnstay Hotel, Principality Building Society and at Oswestry Senior Citizens Club in Lorne Street.

The Keeping Oswestry Alive cam-

The Keeping Oswestry Alive campaign was run in conjunction with the British Heart Foundation and West Midland Ambulance Service.

Man in court on knife offences

A MAN has denied assaulting a 60-year-old woman and threatening her with a 10 inch knife as she walked to work by an old railway line.

Kristopher John Jen-kins pleaded not guilty to causing actual bodily harm to the woman, and threat-ening her with a blade, on

ening her with a blade, on the railway crossing over the old Cambrian Railway line at Coney Green.

Jenkins, 22, denied the attack, alleged to have happened at about 6.50am on October 10, when he appeared at Shrewsbury Crown Court on Monday.

He was granted bail on condition he has no contact with the woman and resides at his home address of Maple Avenue, Oswestry. A date for trial has yet to be set.

Arrest is made in

threat to kill case POLICE arrested a 28-year-old man at an address in Oswestry on sus-picion of making threats to kill.

to kill.

Warwickshire and West
Mercia Police spokeswoman Chloe Drinkwater said the man, from
Merseyside, was arrested
at 7.20am on Monday in
Hazel Grove.

She said the awart for

She said the arrest for making threats to kill related to an alleged offence on Sunday.

The man was released

without charge and bailed to return to Shrewsbury police station on June 26.

Care home to hold open day

A CARE home in Mid Wales is holding an open day this week. Llys Ha-fren,in Welshpool,will open its doors on Friday after-

The care home is hosting an Alice in Wonderland tea party for residents followed by croquet on the lawn. For more information, call (01938) 552917.



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Warning that lights will o off without change

BRITAIN must look at alternative ways of harnessing power if it is to provide electricity for future generations, Oswestry councillors

New energy sources came under the spotlight at Oswestry Town Council New energy sources came under the spotting at Oswestry Town Council when councillors debated both wind energy and fracking.

Councillor Bill Benyon said the lights would go out in Britain if its residents did not grasp the importance of finding alternative energy.

The town council was discussing two motions by Councillor Martin Bennett. One called for a seminar on coal bed methane extractions.

PEOPLE are being urged to take part in a online survey on the topic of organ do-

nation.

Launched by Shropshire Council at the start of the month, the survey forms part of a research project being carried out by the council's public health team.

The research follows a debate by Shropshire councillors at a full council meeting in 2013 around the current 'opt in' policy in England.

The survey is asking whether residents would need the 'ort the 'ort cut' rolling meaning.

The survey is asking whether residence would prefer the 'opt out' policy – meaning that everyone was automatically considered a potential donor unless they opted out.

The response to the survey, which ends on June 30, will be taken to full council for debate. If the majority response is for an opt out policy, this results would be used to labby central government for a change in

lobby central government for a change in policy. To take part visit http://new.shrop-shire.gov.uk/get-involved/organ-and-tis-sue-donation/

Organ donation tion, which was agreed, the other for the council to reiterate its opposition to putting pylons across the Oswestry country-side to connect wind farms in Mid Wales survey launched to the National Grid at Welsh Frankton.

He said there was to be a planning ap-

plication for an exploratory borehole at

Councillor Martin Bennett said: "It is not the energy source that I am concerned about, it is the method of connection to the National Grid. It is not the way it is gener-

rational Grid. It is not the way it is generated but the way it is distributed.

Tourism is extremely important to the economy of this area and we are trying to encourage visitors to spend longer in this area. Many people come here for the beautiful countryside, pylons will detract from this." this

There was a plea from Councillor Bill Benyon for the public to grasp the urgency

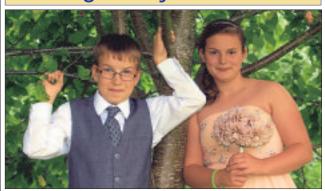
of finding alternative energy sources.

"If we say no to everything then our great grandchildren will have no power.

"Our light was printed to the control of the control

"Our lights are going to go out." Councillors voted to object to the pylons with Councillors Benyon and Kerr voting against the motion.

Getting ready for carnival



West Felton Carnival King Joseph Bevan and Queen Sarah Roberts both aged 11

Held on July 13, the festivities will start with a procession led by Joseph Bevan and Sarah Roberts – the Carnival King and Queen – and their attendants, who will lead a procession of decorated floats through the village at 1.30pm from the village hall.

The procession will be followed by more entertainment on the village playing fields on Tedsmore Road, including Harry Hamil-

RESIDENTS of West Felton are gearing up for their annual carnival.

Held onJuly 13, the festivities will start the Porthywaen Silver band.

This year the committee is inviting entries into the float competition from local businesses.

Eileen Hamner, secretary of the carnival committee said: "There's truly something for everyone, including a display by the MD Warriors karate group, a local belly dancing group, a fun fair and a mini train ride.







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couldlead to court

DISTURBING birds during the nesting season could lead to a six month prison sentence, police warned.

Officers are warning peo-ple carrying out work in their homes or gardens that it is illegal to disturb or kill birds such as house martins

or damage or destroy nests while in use or being built. Police said people did not always appreciate the importance of leaving nesting birds alone and it could land thom in court them in court.

Sergeant Matthew Howells, Dyfed-Powys Police wildlife officer, said he was trying to raise awareness of the law.

the law.

He said: "This can be a problem as the nesting seasons runs from May-August.
"Birds such as house martins and their nests are protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. It is illegal to intentionally use any method to disturb or kill them and to take, damage or destroy their nests while the nest is in use or boing built. or being built.

"The birds tend to suffer from intentional nest de-struction because people do not always appreciate them

nesting on their houses.

"Householders should be aware that destruction of nests carries a maximum penalty of £5,000 or a six-month prison sentence."

Damaging birdsnests Elderly woman's rib injuries not picked up

AN 82-year-old hospital patient whose fractured ribs remained undiagnosed by doctors for more than a week subsequently died as a consequence of her injuries, an inquest has

But the inquest was told that even if doctors at the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital had diagnosed the

by lain St John

Her daughters Iris Brown and Wendy Brookes-Jones, questioned doctors from the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital on why the fractured ribs

were not picked up sooner.
Dr Richard Heinink said

Dr Richard Heinink said fractured ribs often did not show up on chest X-rays while Dr Arunesh Kumar acknowledged a further chest X-ray should have been done which would have

been done which would have identified other relevant medication conditions. Shropshire Coroner John Ellery delivered a narra-tive conclusion, he said Mrs

Brookes died from bronchia pneumonia, due to immobil-ity from the fractured ribs with an underlying chest in-fection being a contributory

factor.

He said a second chest
X-ray should have been
carried out at the Royal
Shrewsbury but said the
delay had not caused or contributed to the death.

factor.

rib fractures, the treatment of Phyllis Brookes, of Gobowen, would have

of Gobowen, would have not have been significantly altered.

Mrs Brookes suffered the fractured ribs in a fall at her home in West Place, Gobowen, on October 2. She was admitted to the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital where a chest X-ray did not show up any rib fractures.

Injuries

On October 11 she was transferred to the Oswestry Orthopaedic Hospital for rehabilitation and a CT scan found the fractured ribs.

However, her rib injuries caused her to become immobile and her condition deteriorated, the inquest at Shrewstury's Guidball

at Shrewsbury's Guildhall

That caused her to develop bronchial pneumonia from which she died on November 21.

Pupils take up new roles



Head girl Daisy Carter and head boy Dan Morgan

THE development of a "House System" at The Marches School in Oswestry has provided further oppor-tunities for students to develop their leadership roles

Selected from the Year 11 cohort, The Student Leader-ship Group play a vital role at the school and provide the all-important student voice.

The last group organised a number of charity fundraising events throughout the year and are currently raising money for an additional outdoor covered seat

Miss Hannah Beecham, Stephens House Leader said: "This year we have had an extremely strong field of applicants applying to the new student leader-ship roles.

"In total, 49 students have now been appointed to the roles of senior ambassadors, house captains and deputy house captains along with head girl Daisy Carter and head boy Dan Morgan.

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Thursday, June 19, 2014 Chronicle **Oswestry & Border**

News this week that the number of young people killed on Powys roads has doubled in the last 12 months is hardly a sur-

I've been saying for a long time that the standard of driving is deteriorating and many readers have commented too.

Four motorists aged between 17 and 25 were killed in Powys in 2013, while 13 more suffered serious injuries it was confirmed this week - rising from two fa-talities and 11 serious injuries in 2012, while only one person was killed in 2011 and none in 2010.

For some reason more and more motorists seem to be taking stupid chances on our roads, particularly when it comes to overtaking, and they are not just young drivers either – a lot of them should know better. John Powell, Powys County

Council member for road safety says he is determined to drive the number of serious crashes down and says the current trend can't continue

He's got his hands full with that project, but I have to say how much I like the fact that the council's roads safety unit is now dedicated to helping young motorists avoid accidents.

The Pass Plus Cymru Scheme being operated by the council is

a great initiative helping young-sters improve their driving skills. Anyone taking part gets a two-and-a-half hour theory session conducted by a road safety officer, followed by a nine hour paired practical session with an approved driving instructor.

As well as the obvious benefits of gaining valuable experience and skills young drivers may also be entitled to reduced insurance costs. That makes it a no-brainer

really so anyone with a son or daughter who thinks they are ready to take to the road is well advised to get them registered.

Yet another Indian restaurant has opened, this time just outside Oswestry on the A483, beg-ging the question about just how many curries we are eating these

It seems more people than ever are attracted to the cuisine which does not surprise my old friend George Miah from Simla in

Oswestry.
When George opened in 1976 his restaurant was the only Indian within a 20 mile radius and his early customers were still mainly picking from the English menu Now that's all changed and he rarely serves an English dish.

Strange that our eating habits have changed so much





MPs Mark Williams, Gyn Davies and Roger Williams Dylan and Nia Evans of the FUW enjoying their day



More members of the delegation – Anne Davies, Keith and Carol Bambridge and Janet Gethin

Forgotten region puts on Westminster display

Montgomeryshire puts on a display in the capital and The Chronicle was there. **SUE AUSTIN reports.**

IT'S the place you drive through to get to the Welsh coast. That's the quote that best sums up many people's idea of Montgomervshire.

eryshire. In fact with the unitary authority of Powys swallowing up the old county of Montgomeryshire some years ago, many don't even know where the region is.

So Montgomeryshire decided to go the London and showase what it has to offer

in none other a place than the Houses of

Parliament.

Montgomeryshire Day saw the Jubilee
Hall in Westminster transformed into a little bit of Mid Wales as businesses and organisations held an exhibition, hosted

organisations held an exhibition, hosted by the constituency MP, Glyn Davies. Born and bred in the old county Glyn is passionate about the area and was only too pleased to take up the idea from the Farmers Union of Wales (FUW) to use his one day of holding an event in West-minster to put on Montgomeryshire Day, preceded by an evening reception.

Showcase

It was greatly appreciated by those from Montgomeryshire, an area which runs from Llanymynech and the Tanat Valley and Llanrheadr as far west as Machynlleth and south through Welsh-pool and Newtown to Llanidloes and Llandinam.

ndinam.

The region's small businesses were given the chance to showcase their wares with those holding mini exhibitions including flor's Welsh Wagyu beef products, Neuadd Fach Baconry, Berriew Cider, Monty's Brewery, the British Wool Marketing Board, Gregynog and Mont-



Mark Williams, Emvr Jones, Roche Davies Baroness Jenny Randerson and Glyn Davies MP

gomeryshire Spring Water.
Nicky Markham runs Doodle Bakes,
a company specialising in luxury iced
biscuits and cakes and is also involved with the Taste of Montgomery con-sortium, a group of food producers all within a seven mile radius of Montgom-

within a seven mile radius of Montgomery.

"We are all small businesses that work together to promote the area. Being able to bring what we do to Montgomeryshire Day in London was such an opportunity for us to promote what we have to offer."

Ann Davies runs Trewythen Lodges on her family farm near Llandinam.

"It is so important to promote Mid Wales," she said. "We have so many repeat visitors who are amazed at the beauty of the area. They say it is perfect to chill out."

But Susan Jones, county executive

officer for the Farmers Union of Wales, said the region had to promote itself far

more.
"Montgomeryshire is the main acwontgomeryshre is the main ac-cess point to the Welsh coast," she said. "We want people to stop here and enjoy what we have. "It is vast area with such a variety of landscape from cliffs and moors to val-

ley bottoms."
"Yet, while tourist information centres seem full of attractions in North

tres seem full of attractions in North Wales, the shelves seem bare of information about Montgomeryshire."

Mrs Jones said the members of the FUW were becoming more and more involved in tourism through diversification. "Many now rely on tourism enterprises to boost their incomes," she said. "It might be food products or camping and caravan sites. We have members who run farmhouse accommodation,

pools.
"I am constantly astonished at the "I am constantly astonished at the variety of landscape and the variety of opportunities for visitors to the county who can enjoy the beauty and walk, cycle canoe, sail. It's a hidden gem that we want more people to know about." Despite its beauty and its opportunities Montgomeryshire, like many rural areas also has its problems.

And Montgomeryshire Day proved an opportunity for business and others to talk to MPs and those in government to put across their worries.

talk to MPs and those in government to put across their worries. A delegation from Montgomery Young Farmers Club not only put on a display of the vast range of activities its mem-bers enjoy but also put concerns to those who popped into the event. Sarah Vaughan, the YFC county or-ganiser, said: "Rural housing is a real problem. I know from my own expe-rience how difficult it is to return to Montgomeryshire from university or asrience how difficult it is to return to Montgomeryshire from university or ag-ricultural college and try to find some-where to live. It is impossible for young people to get a mortgage and the cost of rented accommodation is extortionate."

rented accommodation is extortionate. Farmers are also worried about the future. Former Farmers Union of Wales chairman, Alwyn Vaughan farms beef, dairy and sheep with his wife, Rhiannon and their three sons in Llanrhaeadr.

Worried

"Farmers are very worried about the falling beef prices," he said. "This year we have seen prices drop by about £200 per animal. It's a big loss"
Current chairman, Mark Williams, said climate change also had to be taken seriously by Westminster.
Despite the fears, the main focus of Montgomeryshire was optimism and looking to the future.
And Powys County Council chairman, Councillor Roche Davies, said small business were at the heart of the future of Montgomeryshire.

WORKING



As the summer approaches, there are further signs that

As the summer approaches, there are further signs that
the long term economic plan is
working.

The UK service sector shows
further growth with the latest
Markit/CIPS purchasing managers index (PMI) showing that
after accounting for seasonal
factors, the headline business
activity index registered a level
of 58.6 in May. A reading above
50 indicates expansion.

Growth expectations amongst
firms are the highest they ve
been since 2003. The CBI has
reported that growth expectations amongst businesses is at
the highest it's been since they
started collecting data in 2003.

There are encouraging signs

There are encouraging signs of increased strength and confidence across the UK economy

fidence across the UK economy and good indications of growth becoming more broadly based. It is good to see that business investment is consistently contributing to quarterly growth. The CBI has also confirmed that retail sales are on the increase. According to the CBI, retail sales jumped to +30 in April from +13 in March, its highest level since February and well above economists' forecasts for above economists' forecasts for

above economists forecasts for a rise to +17.

This week, figures showed that inflation has fallen to 1.5 per cent. It is good news that inflation is at its lowest level for five years. It means more stabil-ity, peace of mind and financial security for families but there is more to do. We must stick to our long-term economic plan if we are to secure the recovery and

secure a better and brighter fu-ture for Britain.

As many of my constituents' thoughts turn to a well-earned summer break, recent problems with the passport service mean that I have received an unusually brigh volume of cells in the last. high volume of calls in the last might volume of calls in the last month, from constituents who have experienced delays receiv-ing their passports in advance of their holidays. Fortunately, the Passport Of-fice have been incredibly help-

ful to my office and all of the delayed passports have, so far, been issued in time. The earlier I hear about a de-lay, the easier it is for me to help,

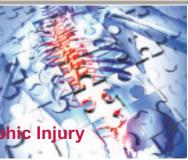
so I would encourage any con-stituent to contact my office as soon as possible.



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Q: My mother is a supervisor at a supermarket. A few weeks ago she was helping someone at the automatic check-out when she saw a man putting two bottles of whiskey straight into his bag without checking them through.

She went to confront the man but he knew she had seen him steal the bottles and immediately grabbed his bag and took off. She called to the security guy but he didn't appear to hear, so she chased after the man as he went outside. Unfortunately, as she ran round the corner she collided with a line of trolleys being pushed back to the trolley park and fractured her elbow in two places. Does she have a case for claiming compensation against the

A: Much will depend on what your mother had been trained and authorised to do. It is the responsibility of all employers to ensure that their employees are kept reasonably safe at work. That includes providing training about what they should and should not do in the specific role for which they were employed and also more general responsibilities in the store.

The key issue here is that in acting as she did your mother was acting in a role that was very closely connected with her employment. She was protecting the interests of her employment so it would be part of her general role if not specific job description.

If she is criticised for doing what she did or she wants to claim compensation for the injury she should assemble all records of her training and her job description and contract. She should write down a detailed account of what happened and take these details to see a reputable local solicitor who specialises in compensation claims who can assess whether there is a viable claim for compensation

Further information relating to this question is available from John Hulme, a Partner with GHP Legal.

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Shortlisted entrants will be invited to come and pitch their idea to a panel in Lon-don and the final five (three individuals and two teams) will showcase their business model at the Skills Show

This is held at the NEC from November 13-15, where the overall winners

will be announced. So, don't miss out on this exciting opportunity and get those innovative business plans in ASAP. Applications forms can be found at www. edge.co.uk/edgechallenge

Good luck! PETER JONES, Foundation

Squabbling sparrows

I WAS sitting on my gar-den bench (again) enjoying the peace and quiet when a

the peace and quiet when a large gang of sparrows took over the privet hedge.
Peace shattered! They squawked and squabbled for about 10 to 15 minutes, and on closing my eyes, I was transported to Prime Minister's Question Time.
Then they just disparently the control of the co

Then they just disap-peared leaving behind just two or three chattering to

themselves.

Does this ring a bell or I am being just a little cynical?

TERRY HILLIER Llanymynech

Part-time contracts are important

POLITICIANS have been debating the need to change terms and condi-tions for part time contracts. This is fine as long as any decisions are based on valid facts, but it appears that they

on valid facts, but it appears that they may not be.

This type of work is an important part of the Shropshire economy where full time work is hard to find. Too many decisions right now are being based on dubious statistics and this is

probably another one.

In fact, total potential production is less than it appears because an increase in numbers employed has been

A decline

in repairs

on roads

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counties are massively be-

hind schedule.

Several years of cutbacks have had their effect.

have had their effect.

Shropshire is no exception. You only have to drive around some of our country roads to see patched or degraded road surfaces.

One and idea to color

One good idea to solve this problem has come from

the Local Government Asso-ciation. They propose that the Government transfers a proportion of the road tax

we all pay from their coffers to local councils to spend specifically on road repairs. The LGA estimate that the

transfer of only around 20 per cent will make a huge difference.

Shropshire Councillor for Chirbury

HEATHER KIDD

mainly in part timers who by definition produce less. This is estimated to be an increase from 583,000 to between 750,000 and 900,000.

tween 750,000 and 900,000. It follows that the potential for recovery is less than anticipated, and so there is less need to increase interest rates as the economy appears to overheat.

heat.

This realisation of growth in the part time sector has led to all sorts of new ideas and theories that relate to worker welfare and the role of the part timer. It was recently noting the average person on a zero hours contract

K-rated films sparked poster protest

Not everyone was happy with the showing of two films at the Granada Cinema, Oswestry, in 1970. The films were

the X-rated "Sin, Sun and Sex" and "Walk The Hot Streets." Two billboards advertising them, were covered up by unknown objectors with religious posters, seen here being removed by cinema manager Mr Michael Meehan.

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Letters should be brief and MUST include name, address and telephone number of the writer. The Editor reserves the right to condense letters

Chance to take on

the Great North Run

ON behalf of The Children's Trust. I would like to make

ON behalf of The Children's Trust, I would like to make an urgent appeal to running enthusiasts, who would like to take part in the Great North Run 2014 on September 7. The Children's Trust has a few guaranteed places left to fill but the deadline for registration is July 7, so please visit our website as soon as possible to register and secure your place www.thechildrenstrust.org.uk/greatnorthrun We would also be thrilled to hear from own place runners who would be interested in joining our team. For further details, please visit the website, or phone me 01737 364323. The Children's Trust is the UK's leading charity for children with brain injury.

Readers' Letters

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to the Editor

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earns £8.83 per hour. By contrast, it stated that the average permanent worker earns £13.39 per hour.

worker earns £13.39 per hour. Evidently a large number of part time workers have responded to a survey saying they feel they are "under-employed". This has been taken to mean that they are not doing as much per work hour as they would like. I find it unlikely that anyone would answer such a question this way and answer such a question this way and feel that what was being said was that they would like to be employed for more hours.

Findings

link meat

to illness

THIS week two separate

scientific studies linked pro-

scientific studies linked pro-cessed red meat to major health problems.

The first found that women who eat more sau-sages, bacon and processed red meats are at an in-creased risk of developing breast cancer, the second

breast cancer, the second found that men who frequently eat such products are twice as likely to die from heart failure.

Numerous studies have also linked processed red meat to an increased risk of bowel cancer. Those who eat a plant-based diet, have been shown to have a lower risk of heart disease, stroke,

risk of heart disease, stroke, obesity and certain cancers. Contact Animal Aid 01732 364546 for a free guide. BEN MARTIN

Animal Aid

more hours.
ROBIN LLOYD, Ellesmere

I HAVE been interested to

As a parent, I am not happy about this suggestion either and wonder what will be coming next – expensive coats or blazers?

coats or blazers?

I really wonder whether the school has any awareness of the struggle that local families are having making ends meet. I believe this is a worrying reflection on the level of empathy senior staff and governors at the school have with the students and families they are working with.

Although I don't like to

be so openly confrontational with the school (I want to support them in the challenging task of educating our children), following the lack of transparency during the last uniform consulta-tion, I feel compelled to start a petition so that we might get a clearer picture of how many parents and students are against the introduction of these rather expensive

Chance to change law

THE public has a unique opportunity to help end the secret suffering of animals in laboratories.

33. ISOBEL HUTCHINSON **Animal Aid**

Petition launched on school uniform

LETTERS

hear locally about the up-set caused by the Marches School wanting to introduce a school uniform trouser at a cost of £12 - £15 each.

uniform trousers.

uniform trousers.

I believe there is already an online facebook petition but if you would like to sign a paper one, you will be able to find it at the following shops: The Gates, Church Street; Schlurp, Church Street and The Herbarium, Albion Hill.

CONCERNED PARENT

The government has launched a public consulta-tion on the future of Section 24 - the notorious secrecy clause in the law on animal experiments that has been used to prevent information about vivisection from being released.

released.
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Volunteers hail 10th anniversary

MEMBERS of a volun-teer-run group which took on the running of an award-winning railway station 10 years ago have celebrated the milestone anniversary.

The Friends of Chirk Station marked a decada

The Friends of Chirk Station marked a decade since the group formally adopted the station with a lunch for all past and pres-ent members.

ent members.

During the lunch members were praised by local Assembly Member Ken Skates. He said: "The volunteers have worked tirelessly for Chirk in the past decade and have done an amazing job in improving the station for the passengers who use it each week."

Thanks to search and rescue team

A POLICE chief has praised the work of search and rescue teams for their help in finding a missing

pensioner. The 73-year-old woman

The 73-year-old woman from Trefonen went missing on May 31.

Specialist search teams and the police helicopter were called in. She was found the following day not far from where she had gone missing.

not Iar from where she had gone missing. West Mercia Police Su-perintendent James Tozer said: "Police would like to thank all those involved in the search for a very vul-nerable elderly lady. She was found safe and well" was found safe and well.

Son calls for public inquiry over care home scandal

care home" says a serious case review into the scandal has not gone far enough.
Russell Tucker, of West Felton, said only a full

public inquiry would stop what happened at Orchid View Care Home in Copthorne in West Sussex hap-

pening elsewhere.

Mr Tucker was speaking after the serious case review made more than 30 recommendations in a bid to prevent a repeat of the "institutionalised abuse" "institutionalised abuse" which led to the death of five elderly people, including his 77-year-old mother, Margaret Tucker.

The review followed an inquest held last year which found serious failings at the now-defunct Orchid View.

West Susey corpore Po

West Sussex coroner Pe-nelope Schofield heavily criticised the quality of care at the Southern Cross-run home and identified failings such as a lack of respect for the dignity of residents, poor nutrition and hydration, mismanagement of medication and a lack of

medication and a lack of staff, she said.

Mr Tucker, 54, welcomed the serious case review but said the recommendations needed to be examined and applied nationally.

He said there had been other serious case reviews

by lain St John

across the country but action needed to be taken by the Government to ensure

the Government to ensure the same conditions could not be repeated.

He said: "It doesn't go far enough, we know the remit was tight, useful information has come out on a local basis but equally issues have come out that impact nationally that is outside the remit and given that is the case, we think it does warrant a full public inquiry.

"The Government needs to step up to the mark and behave responsibly,

behave responsibly,

behave responsibly,
"The private sector is not
the place for the care of the
most vulnerable in society
and it has failed."
Mrs Tucker went into the
home in March 2010 and
died in July 2011.
The multi-million-pound
home was shut down in late
2011.



Russell Tucker from Oswestry who's mother Margaret Tucker died while in care

Vow over fairness in health services

PATIENTS from Mid Wales need to stop being treated like "second class citizens" when it comes to accessing

when it comes to accessing health care in Shropshire, it has been claimed.

Members of Powys County Council's Montgomeryshire committee and Dr Caron Morton, accountable officer for the Shropshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), said it was vital that patients from the Welsh side of the border were treated equally.

Welsh side of the border were treated equally. Dr Morton met with councillors in Welshpool to discuss the Future Fit programme which looks at the future of hospital services provided by Shrewsbury & Telford Hospital NHS Trust and Shropshire Community Health NHS Trust. Dr Morton said she had

Dr Morton said she had heard numerous stories of Welsh patients missing out on vital treatment due to their address.

She said she would work with patients and councillors in a bid to ensure every patient is treated equally.

She told the committee:
"There's trouble with patients accessing services
from Powys and the border
and that will be looked at."

Dr Morton also said the lack of Minor Injuries Units in Mid Wales also made things more difficult for the

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and responsive.

Shropdoc, which provides urgent services when GP surgeries are closed to patients in Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin and Powys, got an "outstanding" verdict in all of the areas.

Last year the NHS called on Shropdoc to help bail out the 111 helpline which was launched last March.

The new line experienced difficulties when it was launched by NHS Direct and Shropdoc had to take over the service.

It was praised as a "knight in shining armour" for maintaining the service when the NHS helpline went into meltdown.

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Dr Gill Clements, medical
director of Shropdoc, said
she was delighted with the
findings of the commission.

She said: "We are extremely pleased that we
have excelled in each of the
areas of the inspection."

Shropdoc Mixed reaction as people is given see plans for roundabout

up access to a new business and industrial site have been given a mixed response after

going on display.

The changes to the Mile End roundabout in Oswestry are the first step towards the creation of a oswestry are the first step towards the creation of a new 700-home estate and business park at the eastern end of the town.

While welcoming some of the changes, a few of those visiting the exhibition at

visiting the exhibition at the town's Memorial Hall had concerns.

Members of the public were able to see the design and ask questions of representatives from the council, sentatives from the council, Highways Agency and EM Highways which will be car-rying out the work. Richard Ayton, Shrop-

rying out the work.
Richard Ayton, Shropshire Council's highways
programme manager for the
north, said: "I think people
are quite happy with what
they've seen. They see it as
progress. People see it as a
good way forward.
"People have expressed
concerns to start with about
traffic but as you explain

traffic but as you explain that it's designed to modern standards and that it's the-oretically got more capacity

than the current rounda-bout, people are happy."

Mr Ayton said the project should be seen as a positive move for the town as it will

lead to more jobs. It will open the access to future commercial development to bring jobs to Oswestry," he said. "One of the main reasons is to open up the area as opposed to stop accidents. This isn't an accident hotspot at all so the work

dents. This isn't an accident hotspot at all, so the work is purely to create a new ac-cess and to tidy it up a bit." Councillor Martin Ben-nett said he too was pleased that the roundabout would include a new access into land for commercial devel-opment.

opment.
"It will enable the innova-"It will enable the innovation park to be realised and
bring the possibility of jobs,
particularly in the medical
health sector," he said. "We
need to secure good, well
paid job opportunities."

One resident, said the
money should be spent on
making the road a dual carriageway.



Richard Ayton and Elliott Blackmore look at the plans on display at the Memorial Hall in Oswestry

NEWS in brief

Group members enjoy railway trip

enjoy railway trip
MEMBERS of the Oswestry and District Civic Society have spoken of their
delight following a visit
to the Cambrian Heritage
Railways in Oswestry.
Following a trip on the
restored train line which
runs from the Victorian
station on Oswald Road,
members were then told
about the progress being
made on the project as a
whole.

whole.
They visited the Cambrian Railways Museum courtesy of curator Lionel Wass and the lottery-funded Cambrian Railways Orchard Project, next to the train line on Gobowen Road, and home to 140 trees.

History fair set to be staged in town

A HISTORY Fair is to be held in the Corn Exchange of Welshpool Town Hall on Saturday, June 28 as part of the "Be A Local Tourist"

The fair will feature stands by a number of local history groups and organisations including Montgomery Civic Society, Christ Church, Powysland Club, Welshpool Memories and others.

The fair will be open from 10am till 3pm and admission is free. Refreshments will be available and there will be a guided tour of the town hall at midday. Call 07782 166342.



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Drugs supplier spared jail term

A MAN who supplied drugs to raise money to move house has escaped an

move house has escaped an immediate prison term. Edward Oakley, 31, of Widnes, appeared at Welshpool Magistrates Court where he admitted possessing 33.17g of cannabis with intent to supply on October 18 last year. He was given a 16 week jail sentence suspended for 18 months and placed on an 18 month supervision order. He was also ordered to pay £85 costs and an £80 victim surcharge.

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Club, Welshpool Memories
and others.
The fair will be open
from 10am to 3pm. Call
07782 166342.

History talk for club members

A TALK lifting the lid on the history of Park Hall in Oswestry will feature at the next meeting of Elles-mere Probus Club on July 3 at the Comrades Club at 10.15am

Church looking for WWI memorial information

THE owners of a church which is being converted into a family home are trying to collect more information on the soldiers who are remembered there.

Natalie Bass and Karl Meredith are turning Christ Church, Welshpool, into a home, but in the process of carrying out the work they discovered the names of more than 30 soldiers who were killed in WWI inscribed on memorials.

They are now hoping to find out more about each man to commemorate the centenary

Matthew is top scholar

A WORKER at an insurance company in Welshpool has achieved the top schol-ar award in the Allianz Scholarship Pro-

Bluefin said Matthew Thomas, an account executive at its Welshpool office, won the scholarship and the £1,500 prize for further study.

He was accepted onto the Bluefin programme in March 2012 after being nominated by Debra Shaw, his line manager at Bluefin.

Allianz partnered with the Chartered Institute of Insurance in 2012 to create the scholarship programme which is designed to develop the technical and industry knowledge of young brokers.

Mr Thomas achieved distinctions in three out of the four exams which contributed to him being awarded the prize.

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Miss Bass said: "With the centenary this year of the beginning of WWI, it seems appropriate to commemorate these brave and gallant men.

"I have just begun researching all the memorials here at Christ Church which are dedicated to the fallen of WWI, with the sim of putting together a display for each

aim of putting together a display for each one highlighting the story behind the name. A possible outcome may even be a printed booklet.

"Rather astonishingly we have already discovered area 20 neares and two rights."

discovered over 30 names, and tragically, several sets of brothers too. Some of them

several sets of brothers too. Some of them are buried here, however many were buried overseas."

The couple are asking for help with their research and would like to hear from anyone with a family connection or any anecdotes or photographs of the soldiers. "We would love to hear of any stories connected with these men, such as where they lived, what they did before they joined up, their military action and the effect of the loss to their families," she said.

Anyone with any information, photographs or stories can contact Miss Bass at welshpool.christchurch@gmail.com or by

welshpool.christchurch@gmail.com or by calling (01938) 552203.



Christ Church owner Natalie Bass dusts the alter ready for the open day

Customer services team on the move

POWYS County Council's 'face-to-face' customer services department is on the move in Welshpool.

The department will be available from the town's library from Tuesday, July 1 as it increases the range of council services the library

The move is part of the The move is part of the council's work to save £20m during this financial year and it will mean more services are available nearer the town centre. Customer Services is currently provided at the council's Neu-add Maldwyn building on Severn Road.

Councillor Steve Davies, cabinet member with responsibility for customer services said: "Customer service staff will be supporting their colleagues in our library service to make the transition a smooth one.

"While the reason we are doing this is to make savings, in Welshpool it should actually make it more convenient for people in the town centre to visit.

"In addition, Welshpool li-In addition, weisspool il-brary is open until 7pm on a Monday evening and is also open from 9.30am until 1pm on Saturdays. This offers more flexibility to people who need to access services in person and who work of-fice hours."





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Farmer wins court fight to build mega-dairy

go-ahead for a 1,000-cow mega-dairy near Welshpool after a six-year fight today said he was "relieved but fu-

sion yesterday to build the dairy at his Lower Leighton Farm at Leighton, near Welshpool, after a

High Court Judicial Review.

Judge Gary Hickinbottom announced at Welshpool Magistrates
Court that an appeal by the World Society for the Protection of Animals had

ciety for the Protection of Animals had been dismissed.

Mr Jones, 31, was granted permission to build the farm earlier this year by Welsh Assembly planning minister Carl Sargeant following a public inquiry in April 2013.

But the WSPA appealed saying the economic benefits the dairy would bring would not outweigh thVut Judge Hickinbottom dismissed the claim and ruled that Mr Jones could build the dairy, which he says will create eight dairy, which he says will create eight or nine jobs. But while pleased with the outcome, Mr Jones hit out at the delays which he says could have cost

the outcome, Mr Jones hit out at the delays which he says could have cost him his business.

He said: "I am relieved but furious though. It is six years since I first put the plans on the table and I have had no help from Powys County Council and this has dragged on long enough. "I am a young businessman trying to make something of myself and all I get is trouble and no assistance."

He added: "I am angry it has taken so long but I am thankful to Judge Hickinbottom that he has seen the benefits too."

benefits too."
Mr Jones said the application pro-



Fraser Jones relieved but furious after court ruling

raser Jones relieved but cess had cost him in the region of £200,000, with WSPA ordered to pay his £6,000 costs for the appeal. He said work will begin on the £3.5 million dairy "within weeks" and will take up to five years to complete.

The project will include three buildings, a fodder storage unit, two slurry stores and a water storage tower. It was refused by Powys County Council, but the Welsh Assembly called in the plan in January 2013.

plan in January 2013.

A WSPA spokesman said it was

"saddened and disappointed" it lost the case, describing the decision to ap-prove the scheme as a "dark day for Wales".

Wales".

The World Society for the Protection of Animal was dismayed that Judge Gary Hickinbottom dismissed its appeal against farmer Fraser Jones's plans to build the 1,000 cow mega-dairy at Lower Leighton Farm, near Welshpool.

Now it says it has "serious concerns" about the welfare of the cows.





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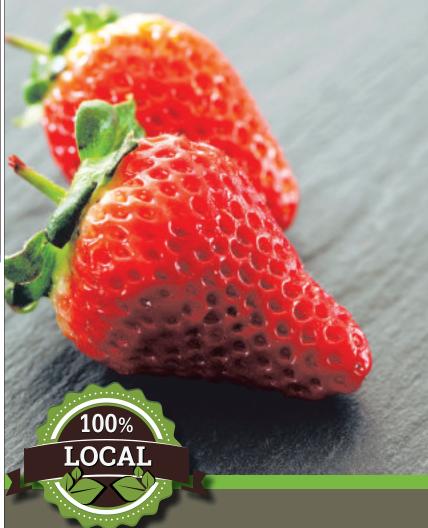
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vintage and veteran events in the county are celebrating one of the best shows its history. Thousands of people took advantage of

the good weather to pack into the Oswestry showground over the weekend for the Clwyd Vintage and Veteran Machine Society event.
Visitors could see several hundred vehicles of

every shape and size and many families used the event to celebrate Father's Day.

One of the organisers, Del Fidler, said: "It has

One of the organisers, Del Fidler, said: "It has been a fantastic weekend, one of the best. We don't know the figures yet but we are certainly up on the gate on previous years.
"It has also been a fantastic show for exhibits. Every inch of the showground has been covered in vehicles, stationary engines, something for everyone."

everyone."
"We had the BAC Bantam group bring more than 31 machines, and we had cars, including Rolls Royces,, tractors – some dating back to 1910. There were motorcycles and even bicycles.

The stationary engines are always popular and the heavy engines.
"Every section outshone previous years." Visitors enjoyed a full day of arena events including a medieval re-enactment. There was also a display by the Llanfynynd Disabled Riding Society.

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"We give a donation each year to the society towards the work it does for people with disabilities, "said Mr Fidler.

"It gives people the chance to enjoy riding which they never would be able to do. Donations are also giving to Whittington WI which does refreshments and the scouts who help on the day."



Dale Griffiths with his 1911 DeDion Bouton

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Concern raised over yobs at Rock

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eye open for litter louts
and under-age drinkers.
The plea has come from
Councillor Dilys Gaskill,
chairwoman of Llanymynech & Pant Parish
Council, after a group
of drinkers left rubbish
all around Llanymynech
Rock. Councillor Gskill
said: "Recently young people left cans all over the
place."
Police ask for anyone
who sees any unusual ac-

who sees any unusual ac-tivity under the Rock or in that sort of area to contact

them.

Anyone wanting to report unusual activity is asked to call 101.

Big milestone for town's pharmacy

A PHARMACY is celebrating its three year anniversary having dispensing about half a million prescriptions.

The Pharmacy @ Caxton in Oswestry has issued prescriptions to about 20,000 patients since it opened in 2011, and has taken on more staff this year to cope with deward with demand.

The pharmacy works with the three surgeries in Oswestry as well as surgeries in Chirk, Knockin, Four Crosses and Welshpool and Shrewsbury.

It is also the first stop for many visitors to the area.

Youngsters get crucial tips on how to stay safe

HUNDREDS of youngsters have been given hints on how to stay safe in today's fast paced world by attending an innovative safety programme near Oswestry.

The Crucial Crew workshops, held at Nesscliffe training camp and supported by Oswestry Borderland Rotary Club, warn youngsters about a variety of dangers ranging from how to stay safe on the internet to how to deal with bullying. Cycling proficiency and road safety are also a main feature of the workshops, which have run over the last two weeks at Ness-

> The event is run by a number of rotary clubs and it is good partnership working.
>
> Other issues highlighted at the safety workshops have included electrical equipment safety, hoax calls, school bus travel, safety on the farm and first aid.

> Advice has also been given about fire safety, food preparation and hygiene, hate crime, river and coast safety and stranger

danger.
Oswestry mayor John Gareth Jones visited the safety workshops. He said he was

Big chance for teachers

have run over the last two weeks at Ness-cliffe with about 1,300 youngsters, including many from Oswestry schools, taking part. Jonathan Jones, from Oswestry Border-land Rotary Club, said this year's event had once again been a success. He said: "It has been running every year for about 20 years and up to 1,500 children each year come along for the safety training. "They come not just from Oswestry but from Shrewsbury, Telford and other areas. "The event is run by a number of rotary ASPIRING teachers are being invited to apply for a placement at Oswestry's Marches School.

The school, which has more than 1,220 pupils, will be hosting graduates who are choosing a career in the classroom as they work towards their teacher training.

work towards their teacher training.

Marches Training, based at the school, follows the School Direct programme which allows top graduates or those who have been working in a career to combine teacher training with learning on the job.

Kate Aspinall, business development officer at Marches Training, said: "We are looking forward to receiving amplications."

the safety workshops. He said he was impressed. Cllr Jones said: "It is a really interesting programme they put on. It teaches them how to say safe and alert and to not put hemselves into risky situations.

"It is important the town council support these kind of initiation."

Floral tributes to the fallen



Mayor John Gareth Jones at Cae Glas Park

OSWESTRY is honouring those who served in the first world war with specially commissioned floral beds and the restoration of memorial gates.

The Mayor of Oswestry walked through Cae Glas Park to see the two floral tributes to mark the 100th anniversary of the start of

tributes to mark the 100th anniversary of the start of the conflict.
Councillor John Gareth Jones said the park was looking beautiful. "One of the special floral beds shows a poppy, the other a soldier," he said.

der," he said.
"They look wonderful and when the flowers start to appear they will be even more colourful."

"I think this is a very apt

"I think this is a very apt way to mark the centenary, along with the restoration of Oswestry's war memorial."
Work to replace the stained marble plaques on the park gates, the unusual war memorial, is ongoing.
The plaques have the names of those who died in World War One and Two inscribed on them.

Blanket warmer given to hospital PATIENTS at Oswestry Orthopaedic Hospital will be able to enjoy added comfort before and after operations

before and after operations thanks to a new item of equipment.

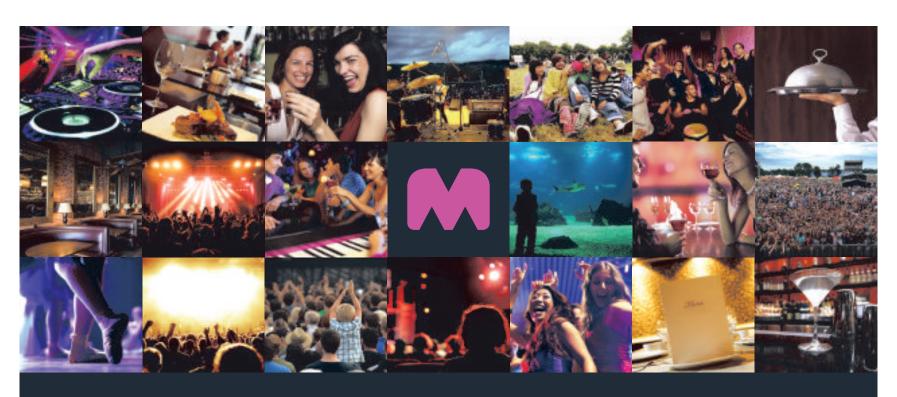
The hospital's League of Friends group has bought a blanket warming cabinet costing £7,450.

Hospital staff say keeping patients warm helps them recover more quickly from surgery and cuts the chances of complications.

The cabinet has been given to the hospital's Admit on Day of Surgery Unit (ADOS) and is used Unit (ADOS) and is used to set specifically modified blankets to a comfortable temperature to keep patients warm both pre and post operation and during their transfer from the ward to the theatre.

The cabinet is the third to be provided by the League of Friends recently.

It was recommended by Dr Ronita Majumdar, a former consultant anaesthetist at the hospital who, after indepth research, felt strongly that this was a piece of equipment which would be highly beneficial to the hospital as keeping patients at a warm but comfortable temperature before and after surgery is critical to the surgery is critical to the speed of their recovery.



Entertainment unleashed





A busy indoor market hall packed with food fans at Ellesmere Food & Drink Festival



Heather Williams from Heather's Harvest at the festival



Elli Hingley & Lydia Britten from Cupcake Heaven



Claire Jewkes & Emma Lake from Cut The Cake Kitchen, Ellesmere

festival of foo

FOOD and drink had people flocking **by Sue Austin** to Ellesmere at the weekend.

The town's annual Food Festival saw producers set out their stalls in several venues across the town.

Hundreds of people spent the day sampling the wide variety of food and drink, enjoying some summer sunshine and buying goodies for

the weekend barbeques and football parties.
Two of the main venues, the market hall and town hall, were packed out with traders and vis-

One of the stallholders in the market was local

butcher, Rodney Stokes. He said he was proud to be from Ellesmere having seen the success of the event.

"It makes me very proud to see that Ellesmere can host such a good event, with so much good quality food and produce," he said. "Many of the stallholders are local and it is good to see that the area has so much to offer."

Mr Stokes, who retired from his butchers shop only to come out of retirement 14 years ago to specialise in pork and other pies, said he had

specialise in pork and other pies, said he had done a roaring trade.

"On Saturday I sold not only the pies I had made for Saturday but also those I made for Sun-day," he said. "It meant that instead of sitting down to watch the football on Saturday night I had to spend the night making more."

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Tori Ward from Jamie Ward's meat product stall said they too had had an excellent day.

"Our sausages completely sold out with people buying them for their summer barbeques," she said.

Visitors could sample a wide range of drinks at the festival, from beers and ciders to spirits and coffee.

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There was just too much choice for Kieron Roberts



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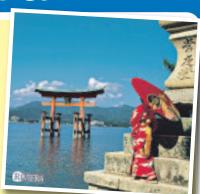
In Tokyo see its most fascinating districts, including the shopping and entertainment mecca of Ginza and the Akihabara electronic town – home to one of the first stores devoted to personal robots. Then to the north of the city there's the scenic area Nikko National Park, relatively unknown outside Japan, Surrounded by breathtaking lakes, waterfalls, forests and hot springs, a visit is made to one of the country's most extraordinary shrines - dedicated to one of it's great Shogun warriors.

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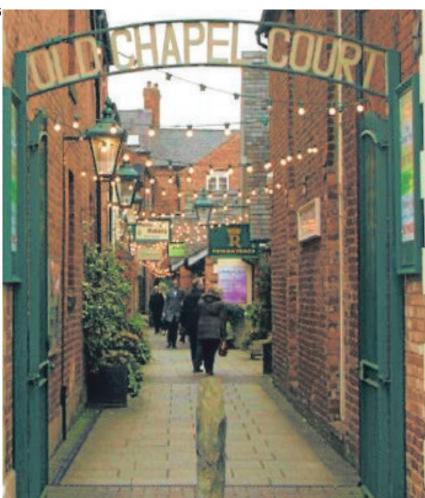
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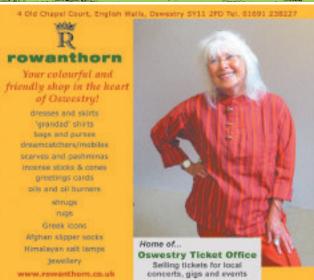




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Shropshire Council is bosting the latest meet.

shropshire Council is hosting the latest meeting of the Ellesmere Area Local Joint Committeeon Tuesday at Welshampton, from 7pm.

The evening will be packed with items, including the future of youth pro-

vision.

Councillor Ann Hartley, chairman, said: "The LJCs are evolving. Come along and hear how the LJCs may become part of the new structure."

Masons handing out donations

FREEMASONS FREEMASONS from across the county are sup-porting local charities with donations towards their

Shropshire's Provincial Grand Master Peter Tay-lor has made 36 grants to-talling more than £25,000 to charities.

to charities.

Included are four-figure sums for the dementia unit at the Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Hospital and for a fishing charity which organises days out for children and the Midlands Air Ambulance will be bosted by an additional cheque for £4,000 from the grand charity in London. charity in London.

Archaeology team finds Retiring mayor's proof of Iron Age living

ogists believe they have uncovered a ditch that could hold the secret to life in Ellesmere

thousands of years ago.

Different coloured soil at an excavation site between Ellesmere and Colemere could mark out the boundary that separated agriculture land from homes during the Iron by Rehecca

Age.
Hugh Hannaford, county archaeologist for Shrop-shire Council, said the find was an exciting step in the promising progress of the

dig.
He said: "It shows exactly what we thought lay under the crop marks. The ditch is a good indicator that this was a farming enclosure, and now we hope to exca-vate it and go through the

and now we nope to exact vate it and go through the soil."

The ditch runs around the edge of the enclosure and is roughly three meters wide and between half a metre and three quarters of a metre deep.

Mr Hannaford said: "We hope that in this ditch we'll find some items we can date the site with.
"It would have kept the animals inside and separate the farm stead from the accommodation area"

Experts believe this site, discovered thanks to aerial

by Rebecca King

photography of crop markings, could date back to the Iron Age at around 1200 BC. Now they hope to re cover items that could build a picture of human activity within the area.

Volunteers have been on hand to dig at the site, working in a trench cut around one edge of the enclosure.

During the first few days. Manchester Metropolitan University students were taking peat core samples of soil and will be able to determine what plants and beetles were alive on the site up to 10,000 years ago.

The archaeological dig, funded by The Meres and Mosses Partnership Scheme and the Heritage Lottery Fund, ended on Friday.



Hugh Hannaford, Rosie Wood, Paul Riley, with Charlotte Orchard carrying out the excavation

Retiring mayor's money for charities

Charities

CHARITIES are to benefit by £4,000, thanks to the fundraising efforts of Oswestry's retiring mayor.

Councillor Chris Schofield handed over the mayoral chain to this successor, Councillor John Gareth Jones last month. Jones last month.

This week he handed over two cheques, each for £2,000, one to the town's branch of Macmillan Cancer Care, the other to the Bone

Care, the other to the Bone Cancer Appeal at the Ortho-paedic Hospital.

The money was raised from two events, the Civic Dinner earlier this year and a Masquerade Ball held last

year.

"People were extremely supportive of both events,"

"Local businesses donated some wonderful prizes for raffles and North Shrop-shire MP, Owen Paterson donated a trip around the House of Commons which was raffled off."

"Those who came along to the events were extremely generous.

Former mayoress, Mrs Val Scholfield, said the val Schollield, said the charities were important to them both.

'We attended the launch "We attended the launch of the appeal to build a new unit to treat those with bone cancers at the Orthopaedic and were very impressed with the work."

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Student to work on top TV soaps

A STUDENT will be spending a week with the production team behind Hollyoaks and The Only Way is Essex this summer. Isaac Bendall, 17, is studying Level 3 Interactive Media at Walford & North Shropshire College and is hoping to follow in his sister's footsteps with a career in television.

As part of the course has to do a week's work experience, and has been able to arrange a place at Lime Pictures, which works on the Channel 4 hit shows. He organised the placement through his sister, Jemimah Colley, who is post production coordinator at Lime Pictures.

Charity gets cash to help homeless

A CHARITY has received a major funding boost for its work helping local homeless people to find privately rented homes in the area.

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The Shropshire Housing
Alliance (SHA) has been
awarded a major grant by
homelessness charity Crisis as part of a national
programme funded by the
Department for Communities and Local Government. The project aims to
help homeless people find
stable rented homes.

Since April 1 SHA has

Since April 1, SHA has used this funding to help nine 18-35 year olds facing homelessness into shared accommodation.

Burglar jailed for break-in Saturday market to which left mum 'terrified'

Skydive will

help charity

CALLING all thrill seekers – the Midlands Air Ambulance is hosting a charity skydive to raise funds for the service.

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A BURGLAR who left a mother terrified for her and her baby as he broke into her home during the night has been jailed for two years.

Christopher Price had been drinking heavily on April 23 and on his way home to Woolston Bank, Maesbury, near Oswestry, he broke into a car and a house. Price stole a sports bag from a Peugeot car on Ascot Road, Oswestry before heading to Henley Bank where mum Gemma Mitchell was at home with her two-year-old daughter. Robert Edwards, prosecuting at Shrewsbury Crown Court said Mrs Mitchell was on her own as her husband was working away. Mr Edwards said she woke at 3 30m and could hear someone outside, but fell back asleep.

She then woke at 5am to the sounds of footsteps downstairs.
She thought this might have been her

husband but as the steps came up the stairs she realised it was not him. Mr Edwards, said: "It was a traumatic experience. She was scared and hid under

the bed covers. "The door opens and someone goes into

Arr Ambulance is hosting a charity skydive to raise funds for the service.

The event, organised in partnership with the Red Devils, the Parachute Regiment's free-fall team, will see plucky volunteers jump out of a plane from 13,000ft in aid of good cause.

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good cause.

The skydive, on July 1 is open to those over 16, so entrants looking for an adrenaline rush while raising money for a worthy charity are being invited to sign up now.

Registration is £100 and a minimum sponsorship commitment of £450 is required, with proceeds going to help save lives across the six counties covered by the service including Shronshipe.

Price was found by police driving the car for which he had no licence or insurance. He also had the rucksack and had stolen an Easter egg and bottle of wine.

Price, 38, did admit the burglary at court Ian Durant, mitigating, said Price had been a drug addict but after his brother died of an overdose last year had tried to stop using, and instead had turned to alcohol.

service, including Shropshire.

To register call 0800 840 2040 or email Judge Robin Onions gave Price to two years in prison, plus an extra four months for breaking a conditional discharge

Amy in marathon record bid



Amy Hughes who is running 53 marathons in 53 days

A FITNESS fanatic is hop-ing to create a new world record – by completing 53 marathons in 53 days.

Amy Hughes, 26, of West Felton, is already a veteran of several marathons and has completed the London

The sports therapist is in training now to take on the 1,400-mile challenge and

1,400-mile challenge and says as long as she prepares well, she is confident of completing all the marathons.

And she hopes to raise £53,000 in the challenge for the Isabelle Lottie Foundation, a charity set up for three-year-old Wrexham girl Izzy Wynne who has battled a rare childhood cancer and has family in the area. has family in the area.

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She said: "A lot of my family and friends think I am mad but I know my body and as long as I prepare right and get the right nutrition, I know I can do this"

If Amy completes the challenge she will beat the current female record of 13. She starts on August 6.

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The remarks came as it was revealed that the town's midweek market is performing better than the Saturday, with more traders and a higher footfall.

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David Clough, the town's retail markets manager, said traders seem to prefer visiting the town on a Wednesday.

"We had three new traders this week which is always good," he said. "The difficulty is getting them to stay for longer periods."

A report to the council's markets and car parks committee revealed that income from the midweek market is up by an average of £29 so far this financial year but the Saturday market is down by an average of £2. There are also more traders on a Wednesday with an average of 21.5 a week compared to 13 on a Saturday.

Councillor Chris Schofield said part of the problem may be that traders chose to go to bigger markets at the weekend, but said some may also be being put off by high prices.

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Members agreed to ask Mr Clough to look into ways of revitalising the Saturday

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cious kitchen/breakfast room with built-in oven, hob and extractor.

An inner hallway leads to a conservatory overlooking the rear garden and open countryside beyond

There are two downstairs double bedrooms and a shower room, with a third en-suite double bedroom and a study upstairs The property has gas central heating

(renewed in 2013) and double-glazed win-

There is a driveway, garage with automatic door, lawned front garden and beautiful rear garden backing on to open fields with a wide







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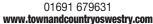
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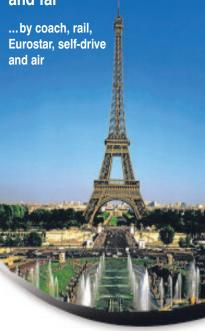
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Tantalising dishes are on offer at new restaurant



Customers enjoying the buffet service at the new Cinnamon Indian Restaurant

Indian restaurant has opened near Oswestry where new tantalising and aromatic dishes are being created in the kitchen.

Bosses at Cinnamon say they have thrown all their energy and commitment to working in the

With award winning signature dishes they have developed a real understanding and flair for Indian cuisine using a concoction of exotic

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The cuisine has undergone major changes since making its way from home Indian kitchens.

"We take the greatest care in preparation and our menu is both classic and contemporary, with a well balanced mix of authentic herbs and spices, meticulously prepared to enhance maximum flavours," said a spokesman.

"Our Indian cuisine draws its influence from the central regions of Bangladesh but adds its own character of exquisite flavours."

ity food and services, Cinnamon combines the East meets West approach to

Indian cuisine.

All dishes are fresh and cooked by professional chefs and the aim is to provide an efficient, courteous and friendly service.

"Refinement and precision is the key to every success, so we promise that we will always strive to provide a service

as near to perfection as ishumanly possible," said the spokesman.

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They aim to help protect the environment and cre-ate new products through their work. Reviive's newest store

in Oswestry is also a test centre for second-hand electrical goods. For more information on Reviive visit www.reviive.co.uk

Concern raised over yobs at Rock

VISITORS to a beauty spot are being asked to keep an eye open for litter louts and under-age drinkers.

The plea has come from-Councillor Dilys Gaskill, chairwoman of Llany-mynech & Pant Parish Council, after a group of drinkers left rubbish all around Llanymynech Rock.

Police ask for anyone Police ask for anyone who sees any unusual activity under the Rock or in that sort of area to contact them. Anyone wanting to report unusual activity at the Rock is asked to contact Oswestry police on 101.

Extra pitches hope as New Saints secure land deal

THE New Saints football club has secured land next to its ground to provide pitches for the community.

A £1 million scheme to build one full size and six mini pitches at Park Hall near Oswestry is now a step closer after the club secured the land in a deal with Shropshire Council.

Having bought the 10 acre site the club is now applying for grants to create the "Foot-

Having bought the 10 acre site the club is now applying for grants to create the "Football Hub" adjacent to The Venue and Park Hall Stadium. It says it will be submitting a funding It says it will be submitting a funding application to the Football Association of Wales from its 3G strategy fund and is also seeking other potential funding partners, which is estimated to cost around £1million. Chief Operations Officer, Ian Williams, said: "We are really excited about the project as it will allow the club to grow its football business and provide first class facilities for the local community. "The club has recently submitted an application for planning permission and is currently in the process of making an application for funding to the Football Association of Wales. "The additional facilities will enable the club to expand its current football operation of the funding has been used."

The Big Lottery cash for the villages of Gobowen, St Martins and Weston Rhyn was announced three years ago but as yet none of the funding has been used.

Instead a range of consultation exercises have been carried out to ensure local people are involved in how the money is used.

Now the Three Parishes Big Local Partnership has voted to make available a "Community Chest" fund of £7,500 for small grants as one of the first Big Local projects.

grants as one of the first big Local projects. Residents or groups with ideas for projects can contact Three Parishes Big Local co-ordinator Bridget Laraway at Qube, Oswald Road, Oswestry, on (01691) 656882 or b.laraway@qube-oca.org.uk

Charities gather for market



Lillian Ashlev from the Ellesmere Friends of Hope House

A HOST of charities and good causes took to the streets to show people what they do, in a bid to recruit volunteers.

Oswestry's latest charity market, organised by The Qube community group and Oswestry Town Council, took place on the Bailey Head.

Head.

There were goods and gifts on sale and representatives from various groups gave out advice and information.

A total of 30 local and na-A total of 30 local and national groups including the Tanat Valley Light Railway, Shropshire Wildlife Trust and Alzheimer's Research UK and Guide Dogs attended

tended.

A total of 30 charities and good causes had stalls at the event, part of Volunteer Week. Mark Hignett from the Tanat Valley Light Railway said the market was an ideal way to recruit more volunteers.

Mayor John Gareth Jones

Mayor John Gareth Jones said: "I am delighted that so many charities attended."

Sunday afternoon music in the park

THE tunes were chilled but the sun shone for Oswestry Town Council's Sunday music event in the award-win-ning Cae Glas Park last

week.

People of all ages sunbathed, picnicked or simply relaxed for 'Chill in the Park' organised by music specialist, Eclectic, with DJs from the People's Vinyl Collective. The free event was part of the town council's summer programme of Sunday afternoon music which has been expanded this year by popular demand.

"The feedback was great.

"The feedback was great. People loved the mix of music played," said spokes-man, Neil Phillips.

"We're looking forward to creating a similarly relaxed atmosphere at Reggae in the Park on July 13 which returns following its success last summer."

Other dates include Por-thywaen Silver Band, July 6, Ifton Brass Band, July 20, Telford Brass Band, August 3 and Oswestry Street Band on August 17 on August 17.

Mr Phillips, said: "We are

grateful to markets man-ager, David Clough, and Oswestry town councillors for extending the music in the park programme to in-clude a range of music gen-res for all ages."

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club to expand its current football operation and create a real 'football hub' for the com-

munity.
"With our scholarship and academy programmes continuing to improve and our recently established Community Foundation starting to create excellent links with

local schools and clubs and the club contin-

local schools and clubs and the club contin-uing to host regional coaching sessions and matches, the new pitches will encourage even greater participation from all sectors of the community."

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Cyclists brave weather in big spin for charity



The sponsored cycle spin in The Square. Shrewsbury to raise funds for the Severn Hospice

THEY braved rain and thunderstorms to cycle for miles while getting absolutely nowhere - all in aid of Severn Hospice.

About 50 people took part in a four-hour spinathon in the Square

in Shrewsbury last Saturday.

The event was organised by the Body Tech group, with those taking part travelling from gyms in Oswestry, Whitchurch and Market Drayton as

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well as Shrewsbury to join in. Fitness instructor Kieran Goussaert said it was a tough challenge. Spin sessions in the gym are usually just one hour long. "I usually do the spinathon with the members so I know how tough it is. Four hours is a long time to be on the bikes but we had our staff encouraging them from the front and making sure they have water and plenty of carbobythey have water and plenty of carbohydrates to keep them going.

"Those who took part were so ded-

icated to carry on through the rain."

"We hold the Spinathon every year to raise money for Severn Hospice because the hospice is very close to the hearts of some of the members of staff

"We hope to raise several hundred

pounds this year."

Two of the most dedicated cyclists were Phil Edwards and Joe Shiel. They cycled on their road bikes the 18 miles from Oswestry to Shrewsbury in a thunderstorm, took part in the four hour spinathon and then cycled back.



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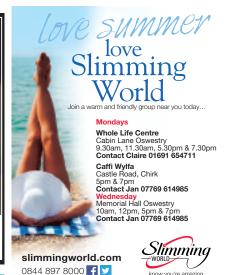




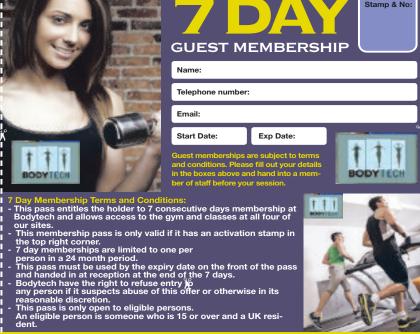
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Man found on road with head injuries

A MAN was taken to hospital with a mystery head injury after being found in the street in Oswestry.

The man, believed to be in his 50s, was found in Gobowen Road at 1.05pm on Monday and was taken by ambulance to the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital.

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The road was partially blocked while the man was tended to by paramedics, but was clear by 1.25pm.

John Hawker, West Midlands Ambulance Ser-vice spokesman, said: "A male, believed to be in his 50s was taken to the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital after being found with a head in-jury close to the Morrisons supermarket."

Civic Society pays visit to railway

MEMBERS of the Oswest-ry and District Civic Socie-ty have paid a visit to the Cambrian Heritage Rail-way in Oswestry.

way in Oswestry.

Following a trip on the restored train line which runs from the Victorian station on Oswald Road, members were then told about the progress being made on the project as a whole. They visited the Cambrian Railways Museum courtesy of curator Lionel Wass and the lottery funded, Cambrian Railways Orchard Project. For more on the CHR, visit www.cambrianrailways. www.cambrianrailways com or call 01691 688763.

Mystery of the picture containing Allan's dad

knows nothing about this photo but there is at least one person on it he recognises - his dad, John Peever.

dad, John Peever.

"He is standing over on the left, wearing a big flat cap. He looks quite young there. It would be lovely if someone reading the paper could recognise a relative, perhaps from an old photo they have."

His father, who was occasionally called Jack, was born in 1885. The photo carries the photographer's embossed mark of "J. Maclardy, Oswestry" although Allan, who is 89, said: "It's bound to be in Criftins because people didn't travel very far. It is obviously of a concert party, but where they put on the concert is not known.

Talented

Talented

"I do not think there was a parish hall in the village at that time, which I would guess was before 1915." Both Allan's parents were

talented musicians.

"He had a dance or-chestra which used to play for dances. I don't know what it was called. He was a very good violinist. When he died I sold his violin for

£600 at Sotheby's.

"My mother played the piano. Her name was El-

sets, and I well remember dad, mum, and my two uncles used to practise their music in Minerva (the family home in Criftins) on a Sunday evening. There was a big bay window and every time, weather permitting, a big crowd would be standing big crowd would be standing on the road looking through the window and enjoying the music. As a little boy I used to be upstairs in bed, watching the crowd enjoying themselves. Happy days." Allan said his parents had married in 1915 and his dad

bought an old chapel known as Bobby's Chapel.



John Peever is standing on the left, wearing a big flat cap, but who are the others?

Borehole plangoes before the council

A PLANNING application to drill for coal bed meth-ane in north Shropshire has been submitted to the county council.

ty council.

If given the go ahead the borehole would be more than half a mile deep.

Dart Energy wants permission to drill a temporary

mission to drill a temporary coal bed methane explora-tion borehole on land north west of The Brooklands, Dudleston, near Ellesmere. The project has already sparked protests, with pub-lic meetings held in both the Ellesmere area and in Oswestry.

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Objectors fear any coal bed methane drilling could be the first step towards fracking, potentially componising the water table.
Now the energy company has officially lodged its application for a temporary drilling period of not more than than 60 days.

60 days.

Peter Reilly, spokesman for the company, said: "The aim of the borehole is to extract core samples from the coal seams for testing of the gas content.
"It should be noted that

this application relates only to this borehole and does to this borehole and does not relate to hydraulic frac-turing."

The application is for a borehole with a depth of 830 metres.



Entertainment unleashed



parking for bikes

Town councillors have welcomed the idea of creat-ing more spaces for bicycles and motorcycles to park in Oswestry town centre.

The idea was put forward to members of Oswestry Town Council's markets and car parks committee as Shropshire Council is putting together a bid for Department of Transport Funding for 2015/16.

Councillor Paul Milner said: "I think provision for a safe and secure place to leave bikes is an excellent idea.

"Motorbikes are generally easier to secure.

"It would help with congestion and keep people healthy so I would be all in favour of having a safe and secure place for people to leave their push bikes."

Town mayor Councillor John Gareth Jones said he was in favour of the idea but couldn't understand why the town's old cycle racks had been removed in the

"We already had some in town and Shropshire Council moved them," he said.

"You can still see the marks in the pavement where they were.

"In Horsemarket there's certainly space for them to be put back in."

Welcome for more George calls for council apology on care changes

the police were called in over a handover between care providers.

Russell George, Montgomeryshire AM, said he wants the council to issue a formal apology to all Powys residents who have been affected by the changes implemented to adult domiciliary care in the county.

The council claimed that some companies who lost out on contracts to provide home are to vulnerable people were deliberately trying to disrupt the handover process, causing

Choir appoints vice-president

RHOS Male Voice Choir has appointed a lo-cal politician as its vice-president as thanks for his long support of its music. Assembly Member Ken Skates said he was delighted and honoured after being

was delighted and honoured after being voted into the honorary role.

He said: "I was delighted and honoured to receive the email asking me to consider becoming a vice-president of the fantastic Rhos Male Voice Choir.
"The answer was, of course, yes. I'd like to thank the committee for thinking of me and for then voting in favour of accepting me into the role. Music, and particularly choral singing, has always played a huge role in Rhos. I have long been a supporter of the choir as well as a fan."

Its upcoming dates include shows at St

of the choir as well as a fan."
Its upcoming dates include shows at St
Asaph Cathedral in aid of Arthritis UK on
June 20; an Armed Forces Day event in
Queens Square, Wrexham, the following
lunchtime and a performance to mark the
80th anniversary of the Gresford Disaster at
Wrexham Museum on September 20.

The authority called the police in as The authority called the police in as part of investigations into allegations that key safe numbers had been changed, battery-operated lift equipment had been left uncharged and paperwork and care plans had been removed from homes.

Now Mr George has written to Councillor Darren Mayor, cabinet member with responsibility for adult care, expressing his concern at the situation.

He said: "As far as I am concerned, Powys County Council has got its service transfor-

The said: As lar as I am concerned, Powys County Council has got its service transformation process badly wrong and it needs to issue a formal apology for it.

"This is not just an issue of a 'few cases' as the council has stated, but has been a

situation of complete chaos

"My office has been inundated with com-

"My office has been inundated with com-plaints from vulnerable residents and their families who have been left high and dry by the changes in domiciliary care." He added: "Incidents that have been re-corded with me relate to care providers not turning up at the appropriate times, care plans not being adhered to or care providers not turning up at all. Councillor Darren Mayor said the council feared that the attitude of companies who

Councillor Darren Mayor said the council feared that the attitude of companies who failed to win contracts or chose not to tender for contracts as part of a tendering exercise was causing anxiety for service users and their families." he said.

Canal ready for opening



Canal will be opened this Summer

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ain.

And the recently restored section of the Montgomery Canal, near Oswestry, will be opened later this summer. Volunteers were remer. Volunteers were recently given permission to
take boats onto the water
but the Canal and River
Trust, which manages Britain's Waterways, said it
would be some weeks before
the stretch could be opened.
Ian Easby, waterway
manager at the Canal and
River Trust said that the

River Trust, said that the canal had to be commissioned before it could be opened and engineers had to check for leaks or any other

check for leaks or any other problems.
"We're delighted that this section of the Montgomery Canal has opened thanks to the hard work and dedication of many volunteers from the Shropshire Union Canal Society, who have worked tirelessly for the last six years in restoring this section of the Montgomery Canal," he said.

Street closed off after crews called

PART of a busy shopping street had to be cordoned off by firefighters following two incidents in Oswestry.

two incidents in Oswestry.

The fire service was called out just before 9.30am on Saturday after a till caught fire in a shop on Bailey Street.

The fire at the Card Factory was out when a fire crew from the town arrived but the firefighters were able to ventilate the property and the shop was reopened very quickly.

While at the incident one of the firefighters noticed a television aerial hanging precariously from the roof of the George pub, across

of the George pub, across the street. A turntable lad-der was called in.

Spotlight will fall on midwife care

A MEDICAL conference will be held in Mid Wales later this month.

Powys teaching Local Health Board said the Royal Oak Hotel in Welshpool will welcome midwives and students from across the UK on June 27.

The Powys midwifery

The Powys midwifery team will hold the conference to discuss how, due to its rural setting, Powys already relies heavily on midwife-led care for mothers and six midwife-led birth

and six midwife-led birth centres across the county.

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Limerick writer gets first book published

A WRITER whose work has been praised by the Welsh Books Council has had his first book published.

Retired newspaper editor Sam Evans' anthology of humour – The Welsh Limerick – pokes fun at both nations and is devoted to verses in which Welsh place names have been rhymed with

names have been rhymed with English words and phrases.
Mr Evans, who lives in Green End, Oswestry, said: "To my eternal shame, although half Welsh I do not speak the language. I can pronounce it quite well, and have always been struck by the beauty of many Welsh proper nouns, and the way they roll off the tongue.

tongue.
"I had a lot of fun mixing up Welsh proper nouns with English words, and poking fun at both nations in the pro-

poking fun at both nations in the process.

In an introduction tracing the history of the limerick, Sam claims its true home is Wales, where its name comes from the Lime Rick, an agricultural device cobbled together from discarded love spoons and used to store poultry droppings during the Great Welsh Leek Famines.

The book has been praised for its creativity and originality by the Welsh Books Council, which added: "Here are examples of the limerick at its best, full of mad, crazy situations to delight both the eye and the ear."

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Sam Evans with his Welsh limerick book

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A virtuoso when it comes to the clarinet, Pete is considered one of the best players in Europe, having spent many years mastering his

craft.

Pete cut his teeth performing with acclaimed trumpeter Rod Mason in the mid 70s, before going on to form his own professional band in 1978.

He has since performed at hundreds of concert halls and festivals around the UK and is now making his way to Oswestry.

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Noted for his exciting live performances, Pete's combination of upbeat jazz and light hearted humour is a sure fire recipe for an entertaining

If you like the idea of having a few laughs while you enjoy some toe tap-ping jazz, then this is the gig for you and starts at 8pm with tickets costing

55.

Don't worry if you can't make it to the gig tonight as you'll get another chance to see Pete perform when he plays a special benefit concert at the Oswestry Cricket Club on Friday.



Pete Allen bringing jazz to the stage

The concert is in aid of Cancer Research UK and will include a hog everyone. roast.The show starts at 7:30pm with tickets costing £22.50.

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Excellent acoustic cover artist Joe
Seager will be taking to the stage at
The Royal Oak, Welshpool this Friday.

A familiar face at the venue, Joe
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Common species deserve attention

THE privilege of living in a county like Shropshire is that the vast majority of land is of rural ilk.

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True, much of that is made up of 'green deserts' due to the intensification of our agricultural practices, but it still remains one of the 'wildest' counties of England and with a vast array of wildlife habitats.

Having said that, for a species to truly proffer these days, they must be highly adaptable. The best example of course is our own species but others such as foxes and a handful of the garden bird species such as wood pigeons, are also at the top of the rather ubiquitous pile.

Wetland birds are not typically the most widespread and recognisable of species. Although many of us interested enough in these habitats and the animals that live there, may be able to tell the difference between a reed warbler and a reed bunting, a moorhen and a water rail, many others will not.

Visible

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That is partly because they do not have access to the right sort of habitats but perhaps too it is partly because they can't be bothered to seek them out. However there is one such wetland bird that has become visible to many people who may otherwise not have visited their realm. As with other common species in a time of great global extinction, it is also highly adaptable – the mallard duck.

The mallard's success has meant it is a much at home on a town pond or green as it is on a Highland loch or river estuary. Female mallards will halt heir eggs in a wide variety of sites, from grassy riverbanks to the tops of tower blocks and the downy young can survive jumps from great heights. June is a good time to see this species.

The males still look resplendent in their iridescent hues. During mid-summer however they will lose much of these colourful feathers and look very much like the females.

The females themselves, although a little battered perhaps, are still as pretty in their cryptic



nesting camouflage as they were earlier in the year. Many will be nursing a second brood of ducklings whilst some will continue to patrol lake margins, ditches, drains, ponds and fields with their first

Ducklings are almost exclusively insect eaters. only turning to a mainly vegetarian diet as they get older and the mother doesn't feed her brood, capable as they are of finding their own food as soon as they leave the nest. The nest of course is vitally important as a hatchery but once all the eggs have hatched the duck leads the brood away to water and they never return to the nest.

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Though generally regarded as the classic surface-feeding duck, up-ending in shallow water, they will dive for their food too if they need to and the expression "water off a duck's back" is a reminder of the waterproof qualities of the feathers.

If you watch ducks long enough, they will often

If you watch ducks long enough, they will often rub their heads and necks over their feathers and spend a long time preening. This is true in more than one sense of the word for it is the 'preen gland' (located near the base of the tail) that secrets an oily fluid and keeps the feathers waterproof by regular applications.

As is so often the case within the natural world, if one pauses for a moment and looks a little deeper, one sees so much more. So don't 'score a dwc' 'grefers the fact that the On the screen sheet.

duck' (reflects the fact that the 0 on the score sheet duck (reflects the fact that the 0 on the score sheet resembles the shape of a duck's egg) and miss out on the common species this June, why not take a better look at our most common characters. Meet Ben at the Fair in the Square, Saturday 9am – 5pm, Shrewsbury Town Square.



Mallard Pair - oil on board - by Ben Waddams

Price of road crossing raised at meeting

THE £40,000 cost of installing a pedestrian crossing in Gobowen has been called into question.

Members of Selattyn and Gobowen Parish Council have supported campaigners in their long battle to get the crossing and helped put pressure on highways bosses to bring the improvements to St Martins Road in Gobowen, but chairman Councillor Sue Crow said she wanted to see a breakdown on how the work was costing £40,000.

The request came after Shropshire Councillor David Lloyd thanked the parish council in helping in the road safety field.

Holya thalines are parish council's help and the support of hundreds of people who signed a petition calling for the safety measure was instrumental in bringing the crossing.

Clir Lloyd said: "I would like to place on record my thanks for the support from the petitioners and this council

cil.
"Having your backing was hugely helpful."
The meeting was told the £40,000 had been placed in this year's Shropshire Council highways budget although it had not been announced when the work would start.
Councillor Crow said: "Why is it costing £40,000? It would be nice to see a breakdown."
Councillor Lloyd said the work was still being planned but added: "Once the job is done one can ask for a breakdown."

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Councillor Robert Macey, Gobowen's other representative on Shropshire Council, said the work was one of many items put forward to be carried out this year and said other safety improvements in the county would cost more. He said: "Ours was at the lower end of various sums." Safety campaigners have been fighting for more than a year to have the crossing built on St Martins Road after several families reported near misses.

A petition was set up by Gobowen grandmother Dot Basham and it was signed by more than 750 people.

A team of campaigners also attended a crunch meeting at Shirehall in Shrewsbury in spring last year along with their local councillors to press their case.

Council chiefs were told the site had become a particular problem after the village school crossing patrol man left the role because of aggressive driving by some motorists.

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Dealing with 'road rage'

By Sharon Walters

We've all felt uneasy at times, whether being approached by a stranger in a deserted car park late at night or breaking down by the side of the road and having to deal with the problem oneself. These situations are few and far between, but they do happen.

Car retailer Wrexham Volkswagen has come to the aid of local drivers by hosting a free 'Drive to Arrive' evening event on Thursday, July 3 at its premises in the Rhosddu Industrial Estate, Rhosrobin, Wrexham. Driving more economically and safely, basic car maintenance and surviving on today's increasingly hazard-ous roads will be top of the agenda, with advice given on reducing the risks faced when driving for work or socially, including dealing with so-called 'road rage' from other drivers.

The increase in road traffic in the UK -

up by 50 per cent in the last two decades - is an important factor and this is set to rise by an alarming 100 per cent in the next 20 years, predict motoring experts. In a survey of more than 3,000 UK motorists by YouGov for a well-known insurance company, it was revealed that nearly one in 10 (nine per cent) have been threatened with physical violence and over half (56 per cent) of drivers questioned agreed that road users are generally less courteous than five years ago.

Even more alarming was that over a fifth (21 per cent) of road rage sufferers have argued with another motorist because of road rage, while 36 per cent admitted it makes them drive more aggressively

If makes trem only more aggressives, and Almost one in ten (eight per cent) said they've followed another driver as a result. "Personal safety and security are imper-ative for everyone today. The menace of aggressive, inconsiderate driving on our roads seems to be increasing at the mo-ment and we believe that all it takes is a little consideration and know how to avoid situations which can escalate into the kinds of tragic incidents we have all heard about recently," said Jane Hargreaves, brand manager of Wrexham Volkswagen.

"We want drivers to enjoy their inde-pendence and freedom and be able to travel safely and confidently on our roads. We hope that by highlighting the risks facing drivers, our Drive to Arrive evening will provide them with a wealth of information and practical advice," she added.

Conflict

Driving a high performance car safely including skid control, economy driving to reduce fuel consumption and defusing potential conflict situations on the road ill be examined by Institute of Advanced Motorists driving specialist Mike Lyne. This will include discussion and role play about combating the hazards of modern driving, including so-called 'road rage', which members of the audience can take part in. The frequent causes of aggressive, dangerous driving and 'motorway madness' will all be examined, with the audience encouraged to share their own experiences and how these could have been avoided.

But the course is not designed to en-courage motorists to take the law into their own hands by becoming attackers themselves, emphasised Jane: "Our Drive to Arrive evening is free to anyone wishing to improve their driving skills and maximise



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their car. Judging from the response we are already receiving, we are expecting a lot of interest in this course," she explained.

During the event, volunteers from the audience will be invited to take part in self defence role-play by serving police officer and self protection specialist Andy Wil-liams. They will be shown how to beat the bullies behind the wheel and, if diplomacy fails, how they can legally use everyday objects normally found about one's person for personal self-protection and ensure a rapid escape from a would-be attacker.

Representatives from the Wrexham branch of the Institute of Advanced Mothe Wrexham torists will also be hand to discuss their courses with interested visitors

Not many vehicles are equipped with full tool-kits nowadays, so Wrexham Volkswagen's service technicians will also offer visitors practical hands-on instruction on dealing with roadside emergencies, routine car maintenance and car safety checks. The evening is free and all will be encouraged to roll up their sleeves and 'have a go' themselves under the guidance of expert motor technicians, promises the dealership.

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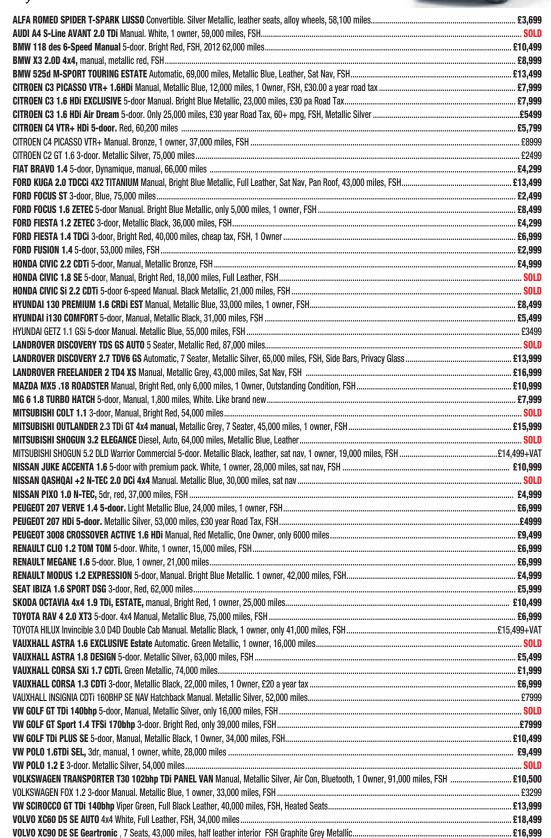
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ลี Saints old boy King is back with the Druids

EXPERIENCED former TNS defender Chris King is set for a return to the Welsh Premier as captain of Cefn Druids after an absence of

The 33-year-old joins the Ancients from Conwy Bor-ough, where he also worked under the Druids' first team coordinator Chris Her-bert, who himself is a for-mer manager of Welshpool Town

Town.

The son of former Tranmere and Bangor City player Alan King, he joined TNS from Southport in the summer of 2002 and was first-choice at left back, winning a place in the Welsh Premier's dream teams for seasons 2006/7 and 2007/8.

Also a European veteran, he appeared in both legs of the Saints' ties against Manchester City and Liver-

After appearing 142 times After appearing 142 times and scoring nine goals, King left TNS in May 2008 for League Two outfit Accrington Stanley but, after appearing regularly during his first season, he sustained an injury and was released at the end of 2009, later joining Colwyn Bay on loan and also playing in the Isthmian League for Harrow Borough.

He made a surprise re-turn to TNS in July 2012 but moved on to Conwy two months later.

"Kingy is a player John Keegan and myself have worked with before," says Herbert. "As well as him be-ing a very fit lad, he is still a very good player at this standard,

"We also know his attitude towards the game is infectious and that will only help the younger players we are going to be bringing in to the club.

"He will be coming in as club captain. We felt that it was imperative that we got some real experience in to the club and in kingy, Dave Roberts, Gavin Cadwal-Roberts, Gavin Cadwal-lader, Peter Hoy and Alan Bull we have managed to do that."

Kershaw is off to Cefn in loan deal

CEFN Druids have agreed a deal to take midfielder Ryan Kershaw on loan from The New Saints.
"Ryan is going to be the

next player coming through

next player coming through at TNS," says Druids' man-ager John Keegan.

"He is a tenacious attack-ing midfielder who has lots of quality, he had experience last season in this league at TNS. TNS

"If we can help him progress as a player as well as help ourselves be a better squad by having him here, then it's a good move all

round.

"He is a exciting player and we are looking forward to working with him this

season." Kershaw, 18, recently put pen to paper on a two-year professional contract with the Saints.

He has been with club since the age of 15 and came through the TNS Academy to make his Welsh Premier debut against Afan Lido in

Kershaw was a key member of the club's title-win-ning Under-19 side last

Basement boys Church give survival hopes

LOWLY Church C boosted their fortunes in the Oswestry and District Bowls League division three with a muchneed 8-2 home win over Weston Rhyn C.

Wendy, Humphreys led the way 21-10 while Phil James

and Anthony Swannick both won 21-13 to help secure their side's second league win of the season, while taking

their side's second league win of the season, while taking the aggregate 157-130.

Despite the victory, Church remain at the foot of the table, seven points adrift of Flexsys.

At the other end of the division three table, ELLES-MERE A moved three points clear after overcoming Plas

MERE A moved three points clear after overcoming Plas Kynaston A 7-3 at home, taking the aggregate by 30.

John Corbett took the coppers 21-8 to help keep the leaders flying high, Tony Johnson also prevailing 21-10 in the 156-126 shots success while Ian Metcalfe was a 21-11 winner - his eighth success of the campaign.

Ellesmere's B string remain second, although now three points off the pace after their closely fought 5-5 draw at Flexsys B, in which they managed to claim the extra two reints to earn parity buyer one spect (127-126)

The visitors had three strong single figure wins through Alf Johnson (21-5), his seventh win of the campaign, Jim Hall 21-7 and John Harrison, who came through to nine. WHITTINGTON E were edged out 6-4 at Chirk B, with

just one shot (138-137) separating the teams, with Bryn Jones (21-7) and Philip Pierpoint (21-11) the best winners

for the visitors.

Their club mates in WHITTINGTON B, who are lying close by in fifth spot, secured a 6-4 (140-116) home success over Royston A.

Victory was built on three single figures wins from Richard Beaman, to two, and Andy Cawthray and Brian Sinker, who both was to sight.

ard Beaman, to two, and Andy Cawthray and Brian Sinker, who both won to eight.

FOX LANE, in second spot, are now nine points off the pace in division four despite their 6-4 (15-129) home win over LLANFYLLIN A.

The in-form duo of Mike Haycocks and Simon Hayman were again in fine fettle, winning to four and 10 respectively after both recorded their seventh win in nine outlings.

table, and tightened their grip with a 9-1 (159-105) romp at LLANRHAEADR C, whose lone response came from Empur Thomas (21-12).

In division five, CRIFTINS D were whitewashed 10-0 at Overton C, while CHURCH D secured a narrow 6-4 success at home to one of the early high fliers, Johnstown F, taking the shots by just four (142-188).

In division six, WESTON RHYN E were downed 9-1 (166-103) at Johnstown E, while CHURCH E suffered a 6-4 (141-115) reverse at Llangynog B.

Weston Rhyn's D side notched a convincing 9-1 (162-101) beating of visiting Cynwyd C, with Jason Leightwood and Malcolm Jones both winning to seven.

*BIACK LION edged off the foot of the division two table despite their 8-2 beating at CRIFTINS C, Mike Jones their best reply with a 21-6 win while Carl Dulson led the way for the victorious hosts with a 21-4 card.

*Results round-up
Division Two: Criftins C 8 Black Llon 2 (147-125), Johnstown C 10 Llangynog A 0 (168-118).

Teacher Greg graduates | Flestmer B. 9 7 | Flest as top class rugby referee

forgetting all about the stresses of their working life.

However, one Ellesmere College teacher loves nothing better than swapping hyperactive teenagers for some confrontational rugby players.

Some people might know his face, but former Moseley fly-half Greg Macdonald, a biol-

Some people might know his face, but former Moseley fly-half Greg Macdonald, a biology teacher at the school, has become one of the first graduates from the RFU's National Refereeing Academy to officiate in the Aviva Premiership.

Macdonald, 33, who only took up refereeing four years ago when his senior playing career was drawing to a close, moved straight into officiating, where his potential was quickly recognised under the tutelage of former international official Chris White.

White, the country's most experienced senior match official after taking charge of 50 major internationals,

official arter taking charge of 50 major internationals, including appearances at the 1999, 2003 and 2007 Rugby World Cups, is now the RFU's National Referee Academy Manager with responsibility for developing the next generation of top rank officials. Greg said: "I think working as a teacher is the perfect place for a referee to enhance his people skills. You are dealing with a lot of different people and characters and it is the exact same on the park. You have to build relationships with kids and parents just in the same way you do with managers and players"

Highlight

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Macdonald's final game
as a player for Moseley ended painfully, as he suffered
a broken ankle in the last

"It would be easy to be bit-The would be easy to be but her about breaking my ankle in my last game for Moseley, but I had some good times with them. Being part of the side that won the National Two title and got the club back into National One is probably the highlight of my

career", he says.
Greg, who coaches the school's under-14 rugby

RUGBY By John **Bridgwater**

team, has already taken charge of a number of high profile professional matches this season. Officiating LV Cup Games in rounds two and four with Ospreys v Cardiff and Gloucester v Wasps. He was also reserve official for the home International match between Barbarians v Fiji at Twickenham before being rewarded with his first Aviva Premiership fixture London Premiership fixture London Irish v Sale Sharks in May. He said "I want to aspire

He said "I want to aspire to referee at the highest level that I can, Premiership or even international level if that's possible, and I'm still young enough to be able to do that, which is one of the reasons for stopping playing now."

"Teaching at Ellesmere College, with its great sport-ing heritage, is the perfect environment for me. I have the school's support to con tinue refereeing at the highest level and in return I can be a positive role model to

Howell crosses first for Paragon

DESPITE it starting to rain just before the riders took to the line, round six of the Stuart Barkley Time Trials series still saw another good turnout of 24 riders.

Howard Lewis of Paramount CRT became the first solo rider to get under the 22 minute mark this season, despite a stiff crosswind coming across the line in 21.59 to take the victory.

the victory.

Second place went to Ryan Morley of Fibrax-Wrexham in a time of 22.43 despite being badly held up by traffic through Whittington.

Jayson Rees-Hughes of Chester RC took third place in 23 minutes exactly with newcomer Conor Hennerby of Wrescam Tri a further four seconds back.

Buttling it out for the because of being fourt Paparon yidor.

Battling it out for the honour of being first Paragon rider was Andy Howell (23.42) who came home ahead of Andrew

Davies (24 05) Another Wrescam Tri rider Simon Lewis took seventh lace in 24.40 ahead of Marcus Willday of Mid Shropshire

Ninth place went to another newcomer Joylon Henry who clocked 25.25 putting him ahead of Chris Marrs of Mid Shropshire Wheelers (25.43).



Macdonald has followed in the footsteps of his father Colin, a referee and National Leagues touch judge, and his decision to retire from playing was partly taken to give him the best chance of progressing as a referee.

Tough tie for ladies on court

OSWESTRY Tennis Club's OSWESTRY Tennis Club's Ladies second team could only pick up one point from a possible eight in their third home fixture of the season in the Shropshire League after coming face to face with a strong Shrewsbury side.

In what is now a very ompetitive group with very few points covering the middle of the table, the ladies knew that this would be a tough fixture and so it proved to be.

proved to be.

In the first round rubbers, the first pair of Speth Cumpston and Carol Slater narrowly dropped the first set against the opposing first pair 4-6 but fought back to take the second by the same score 6-4 before losing the third set deciding the break 0.1 (8.10). tie break 0-1 (8-10).

The second pair of Linda Davies and Julie Phillips went down in straight sets 3-6, 2-6,

In the reverse rubbers Cumpston and Slater won in straight sets 7-5, 6-2 whilst having taken an early the lead in the first set Davies and Phillips lost it in the tie break 6-7 and then the second set 1-6 so the ladies were only able to pick dies were only able to pick up one point.



Ellesmere College biology teacher Greg Macdonald is in control of things during the Jersey RFC v London Welsh in the Green King IPA Championship match



Referee Greg Macdonald is in perfect position to keep an eye on the game

Big rally date on way

COMPETITION is expected to be fierce when cars tackle 100 miles of classic road rallying when the 2014 Links Electrical Ltd Breidden Road Rally takes place later this

Breidden Road Rally takes place later this summer.

The event, on the night of Saturday, August 16, will raise money for Cancer Research, is a round of four National Rally Championships and should attract around 100 cars. It is organised by the Welsh Border Car Club which provides safe and superb locations from which to watch.

"A warm welcome will be extended to the

"A warm welcome will be extended to the leading names of Welsh Rallying in Guilsfield, and at many other points along the

come the fun of the occasion, to cheer on the competing cars," said a spokesperson. "Back by popular demand, this year spec-tators will once again be treated to a unique spectacle early in the evening as competing cars take to the famous timber yard section

cars take to the tamous timber yard section near Guilsfield.

"Why not come along and watch, and if you are able to help us reach our fundraising target, you can donate on http://www.justgiving.com/breiddenroadrally."

Last year over 1500 followers followed with the organisers.

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Oswestry Bowls League

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Church D		5	4	0+13	45
Llanrhaeadr B	9	4	5	0 -17	44
Whittington C	9	4	5	0 -37	41
Royston B	9	2	5	2 -80	38
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Llangynog B7	5		0 + 48	37		
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Whittington B 8	4	4-26	
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Overton A 7	3	4-67	
Church Club A 8	3	5-197	
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1 66.4nett. June Medal & 20's Cup Division 1: A Williams 65nett; A Roberts 67nett; Weetman 67nett. Division 2: J Turn 65nett; P Whale 67nett; R Dell 70ne Division 3: T Edwards 66nett; J Proctor 68nett; D Phillips 69nett. 20 Cupwinner: T Edwards.

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B&W Pughe 79-130/2-65.8; C&M Male
77-10,6-66.4; R&L Ruscoe 88-21-67;
T&F Nutt 86-18-4-67.6.
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Knockin

finish off

Lilleshall

pace-aces

PLACINGS

Deadly Duncan puts Cae Glas on the Wright track from Ian Holgate (30) and Andy Griffiths (19) laid a solid platform which Glas were unable to build on.

KNOCKIN & KINNER-LEY's bowlers were in fine form as their side eased to a nine-wicket win over Lilleshall in the Shropshire Cricket League division one

Cricket League division one at the Nursery Ground. Electing to bat first, Lilleshall struggled from the outset against Knockin's pace attack spearheaded by Nigel Wellings (5-63). The visitors found themselves 87-8 before a ninth-wicket partnership of 47 led by skipper Richard Dakin (30 not out) saw them through to 134 all out in the 30th over. in the 30th over.

Mnockin came out all guns blazing with Gary Darlington (77 not out, with 13 boundaries) and skipper Dan Jones (20) putting on 91 for the first wicket.

After Jones was dismissed

After Jones was dismissed Steve Gray (21no) continued the onslaught to see the home side to a ninth wicket win in the 20th over.

This was Knockin and Kinnerley's first outright victory of the season, hoisting them into a mid table position, and they travel to Broseley on Saturday hungry for another win.

Knockin's second string were thwarted by the weather as their clash at Willey II in reserve division two was abandoned half ay due to rain after the visitors had been bowled out for 137.

After winning the toss and electing to bat, they found themselves in trouble at 15-2 after seven overs.

Batting at No.3 Mike Gray (37) formed the back-

bone of the innings and, along with a few contribu-tions from the lower order, took his side through to 137 all out, before rain curtailed the rest of the day's play. Knockin, who had to settle

Knockin, who had to settle for seven points, host Cac Glas II on Saturday. In division FourB, Knockin III suffered a 73-run loss at Madeley III, bowled out for 153 in response to 226-3 declared in 35 overs.

In reply, Knockin lost John Wilkinson early but a partnership of 70 between Rob Oliver and Dave Jones gave the away side hope, but when Oliver was caught in the 15th over for 16 and Jones was out in the 20th over for an excellent 71 the over for an excellent 71 the

win looked a long way off.
Knockin eventually were
all out for 153 in the 32nd
over, losing by 73 runs.

Ifton lose in battle of Centurion Owen sparks big win struggers

IFTON remain deep IFTON remain deep in basement danger in the Flowfit Shropshire Premier Bowls League after their 9-5 (236-205) reverse at table propping Bylet.

The loss kept the St Martins side third bottom, and eager to land a healthy win when they host Wem on Friday night.

Nicky Jones starred for the visitors, winning 21-13

the visitors, winning 21-13 over Nick Powner, while the other four wins were hard

CAE GLAS secured a comfortable draw at mid-table rivals Iscoyd and Fenns Bank af-ter being faced with a big run chase in their Shropshire County Cricket League division two clash.

Fenns Bank took the initiative at Iscoyd Park by electing to bat first after winning

The decision looked to have backfired when they lost their opening bat to the first ball of the game, but an unbeaten 126 from No.3 Duncan Wright guided the home side to an impressive 234-5 in their 45 overs.

The pick of the Glas bowlers was Tim Turner, with a 15-over spell yielding 3-36. In reply, the early loss of the in-form Ben

unable to build on.

A hard-hitting 37 from youngster Aden
Martyn was the highlight of the Cae Glas
reply, with 32 not out from stand- in skipper Gareth Edgerton ensuring his team secured a losing draw and nine points as the
innings closed on 194-8.

CLAE GLAS II slipped to a six-wicket reverse to Bomere Heath II at Gatacre to remain mid-table in the reserve division two.

Put in, the hosts were soon on the back foot with the loss of a couple of early wickets before Peter Bowyer (23), Tim Smith (21) and Gavin Porritt (24) helped the total up to 129-8 in 45 overs. Henry Preece tak-

ing four wickets. Hopes of defending that total were thwarted as opener Andrew Gittins, who was twice dropped, helped steer Bomere to their target with an undefeated 62 despite Matthew Coulson's 3-29.

The Glas finished with just four points.

WHITTINGTON lost ground on the leading pack in division four after suffering a five-wicket reverse to Harcourt.

Batting first, they mustered 157-8 in 40

Opener Jonathan Mitchell made 25, Sam Davies hit 26. and there were week 1 Opener Jonathan Mitchell made 25, Sam Davies hit 26, and there were useful late contributions from Aaron Davies (20no) and Martin Ellis (22no). Harcourt's openers, Roger Davies (with a patient 40 not out) and Steve Jones (56),

put their side on course in a first-wicket stand of 73 as they reached their target with four balls to spare. Kieron Lewis took

GUILSFIELD continue to hover in the lower reaches of the division four table af-ter suffering a six-wicket reverse at home to Trysull & Seisdon.

Batting first, they could only muster exactly 100 before being bowled out in the 34th over. Daniel Brown struck 46 and George Murray chipped in with 15 not out. Gary Mellor took 4-19 for the visitors.

Trysull were always in control of their run chase. Opening bat Neil Bennet made 43 and Andrew Kirby struck 39 not out. The bowlers' wickets were shared.

Batting collapse leaves Robinson's men stunned

SHELL-SHOCKED Oswestry suffered an horrendous batting collapse at Wellington in their Birmingham League division one as they slumped to a 102-run defeat in a game which at one stage they

looked like winning.

When the rain came with Oswestry on 28-0 in pursuit of Wellington's 184-9 in an intriguing Shropshire derby, it was the visitors who were the keener to make a restart. But wickets fell in quick succession once the players returned to the field, and Mark Robinson's side were bowled out for just 82.

Scott Hale and Alex Huxley both scored 16, but Wellington skipper Wendell Wagner

took 4-15 to add to the 57 he

took 4-15 to add to the 57 he made earlier in the day. Oswestry's bowlers had done well to restrict Wel-lington, with two wickets each for Paul Robinson, Dan

each for Paul Robinson, Dan Bowen and Sam Huxley. There was better news last week, when Oswestry reached the last 16 of the Birmingham League T20 with an amazing one-run win at Bridgnorth. Matt Gregson (77no) and Dan Bowen (21no) led Oswestry's recovery from 39-6 to 124-6. Bridgnorth got off to a fly-

Bridgnorth got off to a fly-er in reply and were 69-0 off just seven overs. But the introduction of

But the introduction of Sam Huxley (4-11) to the attack turned the game on its head, and skipper Mark Robinson held a catch off the last ball of the match to secure an unlikely success. A maiden century by youngster Josh Kirk led OSWESTRY to a comfortable Birmingham League victory over Whitchurch II at Morda Road.

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at Morda Road. Kirk hit 111, sharing a century opening stand with Josh Coleridge (56). Ryan Morris added 34 and Ian Davies 22.

run win at rock-bottom Allscott.

CRICKET by John **Bridgwater**

Jonathan Davies then took 3-18 as Whitchurch were bowled out for 165. Ian Davies, Adam Lloyd and

Ian Davies, Adam Lloyd and Owen Aspinall all bagged two wickets.

OSWESTRY III, mean-while, cruised to a comfortable win at Newport III in the Shropshire County League division three.

Richard Jones took four wickets and Rendani Magamula three to skittle Newport out for just 87.

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Alun Morris then scored an unbeaten 51 to steer Oswestry to victory at 90-3. Oswestry IV were just de-nied victory against Much Wenlock II at Morda Road in the reserve division three in in an excellent game of cricket.

cricket.
Steve Humphreys hit 76,
Owen Johnson 34, Jim Phillips 22 and Ollie Roberts 21
as Oswestry scored 208-5 in
their 40 overs.

OPENER Alex Owen hit a fine century as Frankton boost-

ed their hopes of escaping the basement in the Shropshire County Cricket League division one with a crushing 190-

Owen hit 19 fours in his unbeaten 118 as Frankton rat-tled 296-3 in their 50 overs. He was part of a century open-ing stand with Ian Whitticase (42) before Nalaka De Silva

provided some fireworks by crashing 96 off just 69 balls. Allscott were dismissed for 106 with Harrry Stow taking 4-32 and De Silva two wickets without conceding a run.

FRANKTON II were involved in a closely-fought winning

They were bowled out for 213 in the 50th over, skipper

The Ellesmere attack then got to work to steamroll Shifnal for 75, Mike Lewis leading the charge with 5-14 from 12 overs while Troy Newton took 3-14.

draw against visiting Madeley II in the reserve division



Wenlock finished on 193-9, with Johnson taking 3-40 and Alistair Edwards 3-29.

■ Oswestry will be looking for a return to winning ways when they play Harborne at Morda Road on Saturday (noon).

are The seconds are at Hawkins C & R, the fourths visit Bishop's Castle II, and the thirds take on Chel-marsh at Morda Road on Sunday.

Birmingham League

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	Kidderminster V . 8	1	3	3	0	1	71
	Shrewsbury 8	2	1	4	0	1	69
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Knowle & D.. Shrewsbury ..

Mark Lammie leading the way with 80.

But the home side were unable to prise out all 10 wickets as Madeley closed on 197-7 in their 50 overs. Lammie had a good all round day by taking 4-42 from 15 overs.

The ELLESMERE II bowlers ran riot to keep their side flying high at the top of the reserve division three courtesy Penn Milford Hall . of a 92-run victory over Shifnal IV.
Opting to bat first, the league leaders posted 167-8 with wicketkeeper Lee Davies contributing 60. Brewood...... Fordhouses..... Hawkins C & R.

Winners all smiles at captain's event



Moya Holmes hands Neil Exton the first prize in the men's event



Mile End lady captain Moya Holmes (left) presents the victorious Helen Cawley with the Lady Captain's Shield

Shield of dreams for Helen

RETURNING an excellent score of 43 points, Helen Cawley won the Mile End Golf Club's Ladies Captain's Shield. She led the way as the club's lady skip-

one reu une way as the club's lady skip-per Moya Holmes held her Captain's Day for 2014, with Janice Turner in second place on 37 points. Linda Walsh finished third with 36 points.

She edged Carol Slater into fourth on count-back.
The players enjoyed good weather and a course that was in great condition.

After the competition, the lady captain made it a day with a difference by organising an afternoon tea party.

Meanwhile, a men's 14-hole competition was won by Neil Exton, on 32 points.

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Wem 8	4	0	1	- 1	139				
Wroxeter Grove 8	4	-1	2	- 1	111				
Cound 8	3	- 1	2	2	101				
Ludlow & SS 8	3	1	2		96				
Bomere Heath 8	3	0	3	2	92				
St Georges 8	- 1	2	3	- 1	8				
Newtown 8	- 1	2	3	2	63				
Frankton 8	- 1	1	4		53				
Albrighton 8	- 1	0	5	2	5				
Allscott 8	0	0	6	2	33				
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 Beacon III
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 St Georges IV
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 Shrewsbury IV

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Morda qo with new managerial double act

SIMON Walker and Luke Ogilvie are the new man-agement team at Morda United – and have wasted little time in getting to know the players with the first training getting under-way this week.

The duo were appointed by the Morda committee to replace Craig Rogers who is taking a break after sevis taking a break after several years in management, the last three being his successful time at the Mercian Regional League premier division club.

The new management team are keen to retain as many of last season's side as possible, but were also looking to run the rule over other players in last night's

other players in last night's first training session at Weston Road.

Walker was with Chester as a youngster before inju-

as a youngster before injury ended his playing career which led him to follow a coaching path and he is currently qualified at Level 2.

He will retain his links

He will retain his links with the Oswestry Boys and Girls Club after coaching their successful under-16 side last season.

Ogilvie has UEFA B coaching qualifications and was with Llanymynech before deciding to take this opportunity at Morda.

As well as the training

opportunity at Morda.

As well as the training sessions, the club have already arranged several friendlies, details of which will be available shortly.

Llanymynech FC are now looking for a new manager following the unexpected resignation of Luke Ogilvie.

Anybody who is interest-

Anybody who is interested in the position can contact the ambitious club at llanymynechfc@live.co.uk

Barton wins two awards

GUILSFIELD hot-shot Danny Barton had double reason to celebrate after picking up two awards at the Huws Gray Cymru Al-liance's annual meeting at Porthmadog.

Barton landed the league'

s top scorer trophy after netting 20 goals during the campaign, but also earned the accolade of the Alliance

the accolage of the Minance player of the year as voted by the league's clubs. The top three position were claimed by Mid Wales clubs – Caersws, Guilsfield and Llanidloes, so full credit to the region's clubs for this effort

Matt Burton's men, meanwhile, are one of five

Celtic lie in wait for TNS in European draw

THE New Saints will discover their opponents in the UEFA Champions League second qualifying round on Monday – and big guns Celtic are top of their wish list.

When the draw is made in Nyon, Switzereland, the Welsh Premier champions have a realistic chance of being paired with the runaway Scottish League title winners now managed by Norwegian Ronnie Deila. As well as the prespect of an all. British

As well as the prospect of an all-British showdown against Celtic, the Saints could also be drawn again against Polish Champions Legia Warsaw who they met last season - with the Poles running out 4-1 season - with the Poles running out aggregate winners.

"Celtic is the standout tie, that's the one

ing Legia Warsaw again which I think will be the hardest with all the travelling," said head coach Craig Harrison. "There's one or two sides in there which

"There's one or two staces in there which we've got a chance with, so it's going to be an interesting draw."

Amongst other possible opponents are Czech champions Sparta Prague and a trip to Bratislava to face Slovak Champions, Slavan Particlavar. Slovan Bratislava.

Slovan Bratislava.

Latvian champions, Ventspils are also a possible opponent and if drawn with each other the teams would be facing one another for the second time, having met in 2007. The Saints triumphed 3-2 in the first leg, but lost 2-1 in the away leg to narrowly bow out on away goals.

HJK from Helsinki, Finland could be

another potential opponent for Craig Har-rison's men in what is set to be a fascinat-ing draw in Switzerland.

The first leg of the second qualifying round is scheduled to take place on either July 15-16, with the second leg taking place a week later on either July 22-23.

place a week later on either July 22-23. The Saints have been back in training for two and a half weeks, and had their first practice match amongst themselves on Tuesday with a 45-minute run out. Harrison, meanwhile, is still looking to bolster his squad ahead of the European tie, but has had to bide his time. "I'm looking for one of two players but, with my targets playing in the English sys-

tem, they finished their season later and have just got back from holiday," he said.

As they build up for this summer's excursion into the Champions League, TNS have lined up several friendlies. Two of the warm-up games will be against fellow Welsh Premier League teams Cefn Druids and Aberystwyth Town.

They will meet premoted Cefn Druids at

and Aberystwyth Töwn.
They will meet promoted Cefn Druids at
Park Hall on Tuesday, June 24 (7.45pm)
while the fixture against Aberystwyth
Town – who themselves are in the Europa
League this summer – will be played at
Park Avenue on Saturday, June 28 (3pm).
The Saints will then once again travel
to Northern Ireland to play Danske Bank
champions Cliftonville on Saturday, July 5.

Skipper is a leading light as A team win

WHITTINGTON A stayed hard on the heels of the leaders in the Oswestry and District Bowls League division one with an 8-2 (159-125) home success over Chirk A.

Skipper Aled Davies led skipper Alea Davies led the way to 11 as his third-placed side closed the gap at the top to seven points, with Graham Humphreys (21-12) claiming his eighth win in nine outings. Julian Turner also won to 12.

High flying Johnstown A saw their advantage trimmed to just two points after losing 7-3 (156-130) in Tuesday night's top-of-the-table affair at Ceiriog Valloy A

the-table aftair at Ceiriog Valley A.

After some disappoint-ing results on their travels, CRIFTINS A got back on track by seeing off visiting Ruabon A 7-3 (150-128), Sandra Barker the best of the night to seven the night to seven. LLANYMYNECH

LLANYMYNECH A slipped deeper into basement trouble with a 8-2 (145-137) reverse at home to revitalised CHURCH A who are up to fifth.

Ade Humphreys (21-11) took the coppers as the visitors maintained their good run of form, with Steve Williams and Steve Lewis weighing in with good hands to 13 and 15 respectively.

Llany's responses came from Roger Candlin (21-9) and Henry Pugh (21-10), while the performance of 12-year-old Kieran Jones, who lost narrowly 21-18 to Church skipper Travis Stokes, was a positive for

to Church skipper Travis Stokes, was a positive for the hosts. LLANRHAEADR A are up to second place in di-vision two after sweeping aside CRIFTINS B 9-1 (161-

Steve Jones, with a 21-5 card, bagged the coppers with Mel Jones (21-8) Ian Jones (21-9) also weighing in with single figure cards, while Dave Jones (21-14)

while Dave Jones (21-14)
claimed a consolation for
the visitors.
Fixtures for Tuesday, June 24 Div One: Chirk A v Criffins A, Church
A v Corwen A, Cymyd A v Ceiriog
Valley A, Flexsys A v Johnstown B,
Johnstown A v Whittington A, Ruabon
A v Llanymynech A. Div Two: Criffins
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MUST-WIN TI FOR MORDA M

OSWESTRY need to quickly solve their batting woes as they prepare to tackle Harborne in Saturday's must-win clash in the Birmingham Cricket League division one at

Morda Road (12noon).

Last weekend's disappointing 102-run loss at Shropshire rivals Wellington left Oswestry languishing second from bottom in the table, and 14 points below

left Oswestry languishing sect the next placed side, Shifnal. Since winning their first outing of the season against Barnards Green, fortunes have dipped in their next seven outings, and skipper Mark Robinson knows his side net to up their game to avoid falling further adrift in the basement places.

"We need to get back to basics and work hard for our runs," he said. "We're not happy with the amount of runs we're score scoring "If you talk to our batsmen, they all know they've not been scoring enough Funs, and we will be working hard this week to rectify line."

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ing hard this week to rectify those problems.

"We've got a big game this Saturday, they're all big games now, but how we do in the next three, which will take us to half way in the fixtures, could define our season."

Oswestry will bolster their batting with Robbie Clarke and Alun Morris both returning, along with

Clarke and Alun Morris both returning, along with experienced campaigner Ian Davies, but their bowling attack will be weakened by the absence of the opening pair of Paul Robinson and Dan Bowen.

Last week's batting collapse was particularly disappointing, with Oswestry having looked well placed on 28-0 in response to 184-9 when the heavens opened.

by John Bridgwater

On returning to the pitch, the innings subsided after opener Warrick Fynn was dismissed for 13, with wickdismissed for 15, with wick-ets falling in quick succes-sions as the visitors were skittled for just 82. Scott Hale and Alex Huxley both scored 16, but

Wellington skipper Wendell Wagner took 4-15 to add to the 57 he made. Earlier, the bowlers had

done well to restrict Wellington, with two wickets each for Paul Robinson, Bowen and Sam Huxley.

"We were 28-0 and looked in no trouble when the rain came and the rain break

came and the rain break should have done us a favour," added Robinson.
"We needed 130 off 39 overs with 10 wickets in hand, and it was a game we should have won, but we gifted them the points with some poor batting.
"Wellington had a bit of momentum but there can

wennigon had a bit of momentum, but there can be no excuse. It wasn't good enough, and we need to work harder to defend our wickets."

Pool cricketers in a basement battle

WELSHPOOL'S cricketers face a basement showdown with Pontesbury at Maesydre on Saturday as they bid to revive their ailing fortunes in the Shropshire Cricket League division one.

Their eight wicket loss at high riding Madeley sees Pool languishing second from bottom, one place below their visitors, and with plenty to do if they hope to claw their way up the table.

They managed 137 against Madeley last week, but a 91-run stand for the third wicket steered the promotion favourites to a comfortable eight wicket win.

After their 93 run home loss to Forton last week, mid-table MONTGOMERY can bounce back at Market Drayton.



Oswestry wicketkeeper Joe Clarke appeals while Wellington batsman Sam Lloyd
– who went for a duck – hopes he has escaped during the Birmingham League
division one clash in Telford. ■ Report Page 39. *Picture: Mark Booth.*



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